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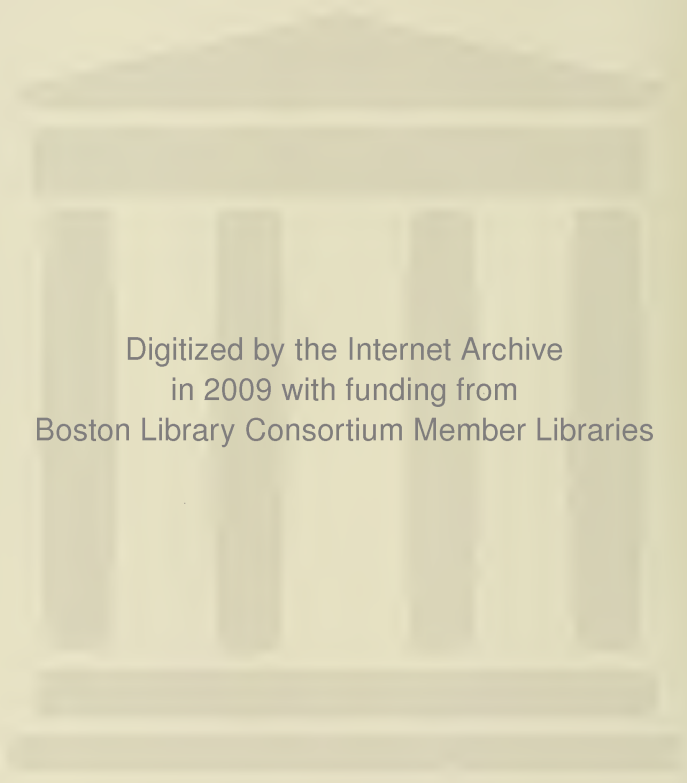
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Elected Officers

CURRENT OFFICER	YEAR ELECTED	TERM ENDS	CURRENT OFFICER	YEAR ELECTED	TERM ENDS
Board of Adjustment			Planning Board		
Dorothy Hall	1994	1997	Ron Nowe	1996	1997
Linda Harding	1994	1997	Marilyn Perry	1994	1997
Judith Boisvert	1995	1998	Michael O'Leary	1995	1998
Daniel Harvey	1995	1998	Paul Spidle	1996	1999
Joseph Foley	1996	1999	Alternates (appointed)		
Alternates (appointed)			Robert Eldridge	1996	1999
Doris Allen	1994	1997	Stephen Emanouil	1996	1999
James Marquardt	1996	1997			
Mary Lou Nowe	1996	1998			
Budget Committee			Selectmen		
Elizabeth Conrad	1994	resigned	James Boynton	1994	resigned
<i>replaced by</i>			<i>replaced by</i>		
Cheryl Ouellette		1997	Todd Trobaugh		1997
Dennis Gagnon	1994	1997	Roger Gauthier	1994	1997
Donald Sisson	1994	1997	Lee Limperis	1995	1998
Rob Graham	1995	1998	Kim Sullivan	1995	1998
Pamela Holmes	1995	1998	Ron Cote	1996	1999
Roy Judd	1995	1998			
William Davis	1996	1999	Tax Collector		
James McGeough	1996	1999	Linda Foley	1995	1998
Joseph Zaccari	1996	1999	Deputy (appointed)		
			Diana Bernier		
Cemetery Trustees			Town Clerk		
Daniel Harvey	1994	1997	Linda Foley	1995	1998
Donald Sanborn	1995	resigned	Deputy (appointed)		
Paul Ladd	1996	1998	Diana Bernier		
Ann Burt	1996	1999			
Checklist Supervisor			Treasurer		
Grace Lavoie	1992	1998	Barbara McPhee	1996	resigned
Pamela Holmes	1994	2000	<i>replaced by</i>		
Mary Lou Nowe	1996	2002	Wilbur Ralph		1997
			Deputy (appointed)		
			Madeline Lehrmitt		resigned
			<i>replaced by</i>		
Fire Wards			Joyce Ralph		1997
Bruce Chapman	1994	1997			
H. Clifton Cray	1995	1998	Trust Fund		
John Bertogli	1996	1999	Daniel Harvey	1994	1997
			James Rogier	1995	1998
Library Trustees			William Williamson	1996	1999
Deborah McConnell	1994	1997			
Richard Sanborn	1995	1998			
Theresa Kucera	1996	1999			
Moderator					
Harold LaPierre	1996	1998			
Asst. Moderator (appointed)					
Robert Goodrich	1996	1998			

Appointed Officers

CURRENT OFFICER	YEAR APPOINTED	TERM ENDS	CURRENT OFFICER	YEAR APPOINTED	TERM ENDS
Animal Control Officer			Gail Dodge	1979	
Robin Gilbert		no term	Cliff Cray	1979	
Assessing Clerk/Selectmen's Secretary			Maurice Yergeau	1980	
Judy Asdot		no term	Gary Porter	1981	
Ballot Clerks			Robert Downie	1983	
Ann Marie Amaru	1996	1998	Henry Letourneau	1983	
Lucille Morin	1996	1998	John Bertogli	1984	
Virginia LaPierre	1996	1998	Bruce Chapman	1984	
Marion Nouvertne	1996	1998	William Williamson	1984	
Bookkeeper			Raymond Pearo	1984	
Cathy Gordon		resigned	Daniel Bennis	1985	
<i>replaced by</i>			Craig Stephens	1986	
Maria Correia		no term	Matthew Cray	1986	
Civil Defense			Don King	1987	
Michael Jean	1996	1997	Kevin Zukas	1988	
Code Enforcement			Richard Marchand	1988	
Ron Loiselle		resigned	Donna Carter	1988	
<i>replaced by</i>			Skip Galvin	1989	
Eugene Perreault		no term	Fred Fallon	1989	
Conservation Commission			Chris Bertogli	1989	
Diane Goldthwaite	1994	1997	Leona Jean	1989	
Gerald Langdon	1994	1997	Brian Toomire	1990	
Jennifer LaPointe	1994	1997	Joseph Bodge	1991	
Susan Harvey	1995	1998	David Pevear	1991	
Chris Stone	1995	1998	Steven Arneil	1992	
Kevin Martin	1996	1999	Cheryl Bodge	1992	
Richard Fisher	1996	1999	David Breck	1992	
Alternate			Karen Louis	1992	
Jeff Conrad	1995	1998	Doug Turgeon	1992	
Crossing Guards			Greg Dodge	1993	
Susan Weeden		1997	Joan Page	1993	
Beverly Laurent		1997	Keith Bertogli	1994	
Sherry Arsenault		1997	Peter Felch	1994	
Fire Chief			Michael Lafayette	1995	
Richard Marcotte		no term	Jim Lawrence	1995	
Fire Department – Part Time			Jeff Leduc	1995	
Richard Marcotte	1970		Wayne Bertogli	1995	
Michael Jean	1975		Erik Fallon	1995	
William Murch	1979		Jim Porter	1996	
Chris Murphy	1979		Joe Brown	1996	
Epping Ambulance Personnel			Jason Dodge		
			Karen Osgood		
			John Thompson		
			Terry Liebfried		
			Al Osgood		
			Dick Strout		
			EMT-P		
			Hank Letourneau		
			Jeff LeDuc		

Appointed Officers

CURRENT OFFICER	YEAR APPOINTED	TERM ENDS
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Cheryl Bodge
Gail Dodge

EMT-I

Matt Cray
John Thompson
John Bertogli
Chris Bertogli
Skip Galvin
Dick Strout
Kevin Zukas

EMT-B

Richard Marcotte
Mike Jean
Bob Downie
Bruce Chapman
Greg Dodge
Joan Page
Dan Bennis
Dave Breck
Donna Carter
Brian Toomire
Fred Fallon
Karen Louis
Craig Stevens

First Responders

Steve Arneil
Keith Bertogli
Wayne Bertogli
Erick Fallon
Peter Felch
Leona Jean
Dave Pevear
Doug Turgeon

Historic District

Deborah Marvit	1994	1997
Devon Rains	1994	1997
Daniel Harvey	1995	1998

Lamprey River Advisory Committee

Kevin Martin	1996	no term
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Librarian

Duane Shaffer		no term
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Planning Board Secretary

Phyllis McDonough		no term
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Police Chief

Gregory Dodge		no term
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CURRENT OFFICER	YEAR APPOINTED	TERM ENDS
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Police Department

Sean Gallagher		no term
Chris Dittmar		no term
Dawn Watkins		no term
Marc Turner		no term
Michael Wallace		no term

Part-Time Officers

Maureen Dittmar		1997
Charles Eaton		1997
Paul Hanley		1997
Jason Newman		1997
Richard Newman Sr.		1997
Richard Newman Jr.		1997
Steven Warnock		1997
H.D. Wood III		1997
Marc Beaudoin		1997
David Roy		1997
Jeffrey Ouellette		1997

Police Secretary

Patricia Wood		no term
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Recreation Commission

Vao-Dao Goodrich	1994	1997
Todd Trobaugh	1996	1997
Leona Jean	1995	1998
Michael Jean	1995	1998
Cheryl Ouellette	1996	1998
Michelle Hughes	1996	1998
Theresa Kucera	1996	1998

Rockingham Planning Commission

Michael O'Leary	1996	1997
Nancy Haberstroh	1996	1997

Alternate

Robert Eldridge	1996	2000
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Selectmen's Office Assistant

Diana Bernier		no term
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Town Administrator

David Barker		no term
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Welfare Administrator

Ron Loiselle		resigned
<i>replaced by</i>		
Cathy Grant		no term

Executive Summary

1996 Annual Town Meeting Minutes (Condensed Report)

[Note: A full and complete set of minutes from the 1996 Meeting are on file with the Town Clerk's Office.]

March 19, 1996

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Harold K. LaPierre Jr. at 7:18 PM. The results of the election held Tuesday March 12, 1996 were read and are as follows.

Article 1

To chose all necessary Town officers for the year ensuing.

Selectman for 3 years

183 Paul Brown
533 Renald J. Cote
Renald J. Cote was elected

Moderator for 2 years

681 Harold K. LaPierre Jr.
Harold LaPierre was elected

Treasurer for 1 year

681 Barbara McPhee
Barbara McPhee was elected

Library Trustee for 3 years

560 Teresa Kucera
137 Eleanore Rasp
Teresa Kucera was elected

Cemetery Trustee for 3 years

676 Ann Burr
Ann Burr was elected

Cemetery Trustee for 2 years

694 Paul Ladd
Paul Ladd was elected

Trustee of Trust Funds for 3 years

663 William E. Williamson
William Williamson was elected

Fire Ward for 3 years

675 John Bertogli
John Bertogli was elected

Planning Board for 3 years

Results after a recount
287 Paul Spidle
284 Michael Jean

123 Ricky St.Jean
Paul Spidle was elected

Planning Board for 1 year

371 Mark Kucera
386 Ronald J. Nowe
Ronald Nowe was elected

Board of Adjustment for 3 years

490 Joseph Foley
113 Ricky St.Jean
121 Roger Vogler
Joseph Foley was elected

Budget Committee for 3 years (three elected)

RESULTS AFTER RECOUNT
443 William Davis
369 Dianne Gilbert
419 James McGeough
231 Michael O'Leary
391 Joseph Zaccari
William Davis, James McGeough and Joseph Zaccari were elected

Supervisor of Checklist for 6 years

481 Mary Lou Nowe
278 Samuel Oliver III
Mary Lou Nowe was elected

Article 2

Shall we modify optional adjusted elderly exemptions from property tax?

Results

461 - YES 313 - NO
Article 2 Passed

Article 3

Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Epping Town Meeting? (3/5 majority vote required, submitted by petition)

RESULTS AFTER RECOUNT

444 - YES 342 - NO
472 needed to pass
Article 3 Failed

Article 4

Are you in favor of amending the Zoning Ordinance, Article 2. - Highway Commercial Zone, Subsection 1.2 - Lot Dimensions and Setback Requirements, by revising the Minimum Front Setback to read, "100 feet from the centerline of all existing roads and 75 feet from the centerline for proposed (non-existing) internal roads of Class V or greater." *(Recommended by Planning Board)*

Results

514 - YES 233 - NO
Article 4 Passed

Article 5

Are you in favor of amending the Zoning Ordinance, Article 3. - Industrial Commercial Zone, Schedule 1 - Schedule of Bulk and Coverage Controls for the Industrial Commercial Zone, by revising the Minimum Front Yard Setback to read, "100 feet from the centerline of all existing roads and 75 feet from the centerline for proposed (non-existing) internal roads of Class V or greater." *(Recommended by the Planning Board)*

Results

508 - YES 227 - NO
Article 5 Passed

Article 6

Are you in favor of amending the Zoning Ordinance, Article 2. - Highway Commercial Zone, Subsection a.3 - Permitted Uses, by adding Industry, Municipal Buildings, and Indoor Recreation as permitted Uses. *(Recommended by Planning Board)*

Results

560 - YES 184 - NO
Article 6 Passed

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Article 7

Are you in favor of amending the Zoning Ordinance, Article 2. - Rural Residential Zone, Subsection 7.4 - Permitted Accessory Uses, by adding Bed and Breakfast as a Permitted Accessory Use. *(Recommended by Planning Board)*

Results

581 - YES 163 - NO

Article 7 Passed

Article 8

Are you in favor of amending the Zoning Ordinance, Article 12. - Definitions, by eliminating the definition of Light Manufacturing. *(Recommended by Planning Board)*

Results

496 - YES 226 - NO

Article 8 Passed

Article 9

Are you in favor of amending the Zoning Ordinance, Articles 2 and 3, all sections, by adding the sentence, "The Planning Board may require special buffering of existing residential areas." *(Recommended by Planning Board)*

Results

467 - YES 274 - NO

Article 9 Passed

Article 10

Are you in favor of amending the Zoning Ordinance, Article 3. - Industrial/Commercial Zone, Section 3.5 and Subsection 3.5.1., Commercial Area, by adding to the zone 1,300 feet from the centerline either side of Route 27 from the Mast Road end of the Industrial/Commercial Zone to the Brentwood Town Line. *(Recommended by Planning Board)*

Results

522 - YES 226 - NO

Article 10 Passed

Article 11

Are you in favor of amending the Zoning Ordinance, Article 2, - West Epping Business Zone, Subsection 3.3., Permitted Uses, to read as follows:

- 1 Retail and Personal Services
- 2 Professional Offices
- 3 Essential Services
- 4 Multi-Family Residential
- 5 Single-Family Residential
- 6 Duplexes
- 7 Veterinary Clinics
- 8 Wholesale Establishments
- 9 Motel/Hotel
- 10 Health Care Facilities
- 11 Shopping Malls and Plazas
- 12 Restaurants
- 13 Convenience Stores
- 14 Meeting Halls and Community Buildings
- 15 Banks
- 16 Recreational Establishments/ Campgrounds
- 17 Home Occupation
- 18 Daycare
- 19 Churches
- 20 Private Schools

(Recommended by the Planning Board)

Results

549 - YES 210 - NO

Article 11 Passed

Article 12

Are you in favor of amending the Zoning Ordinance, Article 2, - West Epping Business Zone, Subsection 3.6., Special Exceptions, to read as follows:

- 1 TV/Radio

- 2 Expansion of Non-Conforming Uses

(Recommended by the Planning Board)

Results

49 - 5 YES 261 - NO

Article 12 Passed

Article 13

Are you in favor of amending the Zoning Ordinance, Article 2, all sections to allow dual uses by special exception with the following wording added under special exception:

Dual use with the following additional criteria:

- 1 Any added use must be a permitted use in the zone.
- 2 The owner must receive site plan review and approval by the Planning Board.

(Recommended by the Planning Board)

Results

503 - YES 245 - NO

Article 13 Passed

Article 14

To see what action the Town will take in regards to the reports of its officers and agents.

Results

The article was then passed with a hand vote.

Article 15

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept gifts of personal property which may be offered to the Town for any public purpose, pursuant to RSA 31:95-E...

Results

The article passed with a hand vote.

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Article 16

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept on behalf of the Town, gifts, legacies, and devises made to the Town in trust for any public purpose, as permitted by RSA 31:19.

Results

The article passed with a hand vote.

Article 17

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, pursuant to RSA 674:40-a(1), to accept on behalf of the Town dedicated streets which have first been approved by the Planning Board.

Results

The article passed with a hand vote.

Article 18

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000.00) to purchase land from the Trustees of Trust Funds for the Stump Dump.

Results

The article passed with a hand vote.

Article 19

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) for the Epping Youth Athletic Association Sports Complex project.

Results

The article passed with a hand vote.

Article 20

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seventy eight thousand dollars (\$78,000.00) to completely re-map and replace the Epping Town tax maps.

Results

James McGeough made a motion to amend the article to include the

phrase "Not Recommended by the Budget Committee". It was seconded by Todd Trobaugh. Town Administrator David Barker explained that this was a printing error and should have been included in the warrant. The amendment passed with a hand vote. The article was tabled.

Article 21

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty five thousand dollars (\$35,000.00) for the purchase, equipping, and operation of a truck, plow and sander for the Epping Highway Department.

Results

The article passed with a hand vote.

Article 22

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand five hundred dollars (\$5,500.00) to pay salary and employee overhead costs to increase the hours of operation of the Harvey-Mitchell Memorial Library from 31 hours per week to 40 hours per week.

Results

The article passed with a hand vote.

Article 23

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty three thousand one hundred sixty two dollars (\$43,162.00) to be distributed to the organizations listed below in the amounts noted for ser-

Town Appropriations for Local Agencies (Article 23)

Agency	Requested	Recommended
A Safe Place	500	500
Area Homemaker Home Health Aide Service	2,900	2,610
Child and Family Services	4,500	4,500
Epping Youth Athletic Association.....	3,000	3,000
Lamprey Health Care	3,500	3,400
Retired Senior Volunteer Program	300	300
Richie McFarland Children's Center	5,000	2,475
Rockingham County Community Action Program	13,051	8,507
Rockingham Nutrition & Meals on Wheels Program	2,220	2,220
Rockingham Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice	6,800	6,800
Seacoast Big Brother/Big Sister Program	6,120	6,120
Seacoast Hospice	1,500	1,500
Sexual Assault Support Services	1,250	1,250
Total.....	\$50,641	\$43,162

vices estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during 1995:

Results

The article passed.

Article 24

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000.00) for the purchase, equipping, and operation of a used aerial ladder truck for the Epping Fire Department.

Results

The article passed.

Article 25

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand three hundred eighty eight dollars (\$20,388.00) to increase the pay for the personnel on weekend ambulance duty to minimum wage.

Results

The article passed with a hand vote.

At this time Chairman Kim Sullivan made a special presentation to Dick Marcotte for his 25 years of service in the Epping Fire Department. Dan and Louise Harvey also received a laminated copy of the dedication of the 1995 Town Report.

Article 26

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two million ninety three thousand four hundred seventy four dollars (\$2,093,474.00) which represents the operating budget of the Town.

Results

Roger Gauthier then made a motion to amend the article as follows "That the Board of Selectmen spend an amount not to exceed twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) from the remainder of the Road Bond for completion of Mast Road, such as finishing graveling and removing the

stumps from the sides and taking them to ERRCO." The motion was seconded by Ron Nowe. A hand vote was taken and the amendment passed. Town Administrator David Barker then informed the Town of a \$20,000 error in the printed budget versus the figures presented to the Budget Committee. Line 4721 of the proposed budget is for interest on Long Term Bonds. The figure printed as recommended for 1996 is \$44,485. The Budget Committee only approved the amount of \$24,485. James McGeough then made a motion to amend Article 26 "to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,073,474". The motion was seconded by Roger Gauthier. Joseph Foley stated that since the interest is not negotiable and must be paid, the Town should vote to appropriate the full amount of the original article. Kim Sullivan noted that the Budget Committee had fulfilled its obligation by proposing the amendment, and urged the Town to vote the amendment down. Brendan Splaine

made a motion to move the amendment. It was seconded by Roger Gauthier. A hand vote was taken and the amendment failed to pass. Roger Gauthier then made a motion to move the question as it was originally amended. The motion was seconded and the article passed as originally amended with a hand vote.

Article 27

To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Results

Paul Spidle wanted to go on record as requesting the Selectmen to use the bid process for procuring Liability Insurance. Kim Sullivan responded that the Board of Selectmen had already voted to ask for bids, and that our current policy holder has been notified of our intent.

Lee Limperis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Roger Gauthier. The meeting adjourned at 10:15. ■

Epping Police Department Training/Conference Room Photo Courtesy of Epping Police Department



Executive Summary

Board of Selectmen's Report

We are pleased to report to you that 1996 was again a successful year. We made strides in financial areas which were in keeping with our planned deficit to surplus recovery. As many know, the Town of Epping was in deficit. In 1994 that was reversed, and we have continued on our target to maintain

about 3 to 5% in reserves. We have been successful at maintaining a surplus in the \$325,000 to \$400,000 range, and monies above this are being returned to the taxpayers as a revenue, which reduces the tax rate.

We were also able to acquire some new equipment to better serve the Town. Recent additions include a new telephone and voice mail system in the Town Hall. If you happen to call after we close, you can still leave messages, and we can get back to you.

We also now own a new Ford F-450 dump truck, equipped with a plow and sander, as well as a new Dresser 515C wheeled loader with a sweeper broom and a plow and wing system.

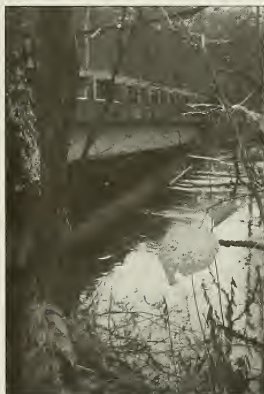
This summer, one of the 10 h.p. Accurate compactors at the Transfer Station blew the hydraulic ram piston. We plan to rebuild this component soon, but in the mean time, we purchased a new 15 h.p. Accurate model 345 HD heavy duty compactor, which was installed in late in August. This machine cost the Town \$9,545. We had anticipated purchas-

ing an additional 45 yard container, but when the machine broke down, we opted to replace it, rather than spend the money on a container. The original quote to rebuild the old model was \$6,341. We plan to do better than this, having our staff do some of the work to save money.

We'd like to thank the countless volunteers who participate in Town and School Government. We would also like to recognize our delegate to the State Senate - Senator John S. Barnes Jr., and our delegates to the New Hampshire General Court - Representative Robert Dodge, and Representative Ronald Nowe, all of whom have worked tirelessly on behalf of the Town of Epping, and for each citizen in our community. Finally, we'd like to point out our very capable staff that keep day to day operations moving forward. Each does a very good job, and we are glad to have our team comprised of so many dedicated professionals. One and all, please accept our tip of the hat for a job well done.

We would like to close by reminding everyone that it is important to take an active roll in our local government, and participate as much as possible. Things are happening in our Town, and we always welcome more assistance! Make it a point to vote at the election on March 11th, and participate in the School Meeting March 13th, and the Town Meeting March 18th. You are also welcome at the various Board and Commission Public Meetings and hearings. ■

—Lee Limperis, Chair
Todd Trobaugh, Vice Chair



TOP & BOTTOM: Epping, October, 1996.
Photos Courtesy of Robert Kimball

Town Administrator's Report

It has been a privilege to serve the Citizens and Boards of the Town of Epping for my first 14 months here. I started in October of 1995, and it seems like we've moved mountains. I want to share with you a summary of our accomplishments for 1996 using your taxes and revenues.

In the first quarter, we took up the annual tasks that come with Town Meeting, the Annual Report, budget preparations, audits, and the associated public hearings. The voters made changes to the Elderly Exemption limits to more fairly align the exemption to the new assessments. We did some follow up research on the tax abatement and appeal of the Emissaries of the Divine Light, once all the court appeals and rulings were finalized. This was done to insure that we were current with the court's ruling so that the taxpayer only paid what was due, not more, not less. The initial groundwork was laid to prepare for a day long meeting with the NH Rural Development Counsel. Candidates Night was scheduled and coordinated with the School, and Continental Cablevision.

The Selectmen spent a significant amount of time dealing with issues and concerns at the State level. This often involved coordinated meetings with our Senator and Representatives to the General Court. We tried to find out if there was a relationship between blasting out near the Route 101 construction site to damage claims that several citizens in West Epping experienced. The Dept. of Justice through the Attorney General commissioned a study, which was delivered during one of our Monday evening meetings. We worked with the Dept. of Revenue Administration to try to wrap up the philosophical

differences on the completion of the Revaluation. This has been left so that the DRA feels we owe them about \$26,000 for the project, and the Selectmen opposed to paying them anything further due to short comings in the project.

In 1996, we were able to wrap up the functional issues of the Revaluation so that the Town's Assessment records were complete, accurate, and fair. What's the proof to this claim? Only two appeals have been filed based on the 1996 DRA Assessments. My hat is off to Judy Asdot, who worked very carefully throughout the summer to verify that what we have on paper corresponds with what is in the Tax Billing computer software.

The Selectmen's Office worked on a revised purchase order policy, and the solicitation of competitive proposals on many of our purchases throughout the year. During the spring, we worked on proposals for the provision of liability, property and casualty insurance for the Town. We also organized bids for Tax Anticipation Notes, so the money we occasionally borrow is as cost effective as possible. Our routine

office supply system was monitored, and better pricing was found through various other vendors. Some of our consumable supplies were found competitively priced right here in Town.

In early May, we addressed concerns about the expansion of a business into existing building space that was previously occupied by a tenant business. Addressing these issues take time and resources from our routine duties, and demand attention from our Boards. It is also important to safeguard the bylaws and ordinances which our voters have established. I find our volunteers and elected officials consider their obligations very seriously, and take the time needed to learn the facts about each issue before them.

Later in May, two old vehicles taken out of service were delivered to the State Property system for public auction. The sale brought in about \$900 for vehicles we could no longer use.

All during the winter and spring, I spent time dealing with the issues of our successful Joint Community Development Block Grant and New

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The Town of Epping's newest vehicles. L-R: Front-end loader, new 1-ton dump truck, new Police cruiser.
Photo Courtesy of Police Department



Executive Summary

Hampshire Commercial Kitchens - NH Cooks. This involved meetings and planning to get the business incubator up and running, and dealing with the contractors and construction management company to see that the project moved smoothly toward the November 4th opening date.

Home Occupations and Class VI Highways were topics on the Town's agenda in June. A few property owners wanted building permits off Stingy River Road and Dimond Hill Lane, both of which are non-maintained class VI Town Highways. This requires a special waiver to be filed holding the Town harmless for inaccessibility. Several hearings were held on Home Occupations, one of which is being challenged in Court.

Solid Waste and Public Works issues were monitored all year. This includes weekly visits to the transfer station and dump, review of highway projects and construction issues, dealing with personnel matters, and the usual drainage issues that surface all too often (pardon the pun).

A new one-ton dump truck and plow was ordered from the state bid list, which was delivered late in the summer on one of the hot days we had. This was a treat to drive down I-93, windows open, 95 degrees, and a snow plow on the front! I have to admit it was an experience at the toll booth!

Meetings were held with Errco to look for alternatives to our stump dump, and the delicate balance between the ever increasing need for space and being environmentally responsible. **The Board of Selectmen voted that no more stumps or brush/wood are accepted at the Town landfill.** Errco is available every Saturday for Town Residents to use with a valid dump permit. I'd like to thank Matt Senior

of Errco for his diligence in working with the Town on these issues.

Errco approached us to volunteer to demolish one of the old dilapidated houses on the Fowler (Keefe EPA Sight) property. This was accomplished with the help of New England Dragway, and the neighborhood is improved only because of these volunteers! Errco has also contributed over \$45,000 to the Town for the Host Tipping fees they collect. Epping is clearly improved with folks like Errco in town.

Several personnel changes occurred in the Town Hall over the summer. Barbara McPhee resigned and was replaced by Wilbur Ralph as Town Treasurer, Ron Loiselles resigned and was replaced by Gene Perreault as acting Code Enforcement Officer, and Cathy Gordon resigned and was replaced by Meg Correia temporarily as bookkeeper. A permanent appointment for this position should occur by mid-February. These transitions are difficult for any organization, and I am pleased with the caliber of everyone in the organization so that when these growing pains occur, we come out on par or better, as new ideas and techniques are employed to meet the daily challenges of each position.

A new cable TV franchise agreement was hammered out this fall with Continental Cable; ushering in an exciting new era for the Town's cable television services. With this new license in place, we will move to the forefront with additional channels and services during 1997.

All of these issues have been addressed in addition to our normal course of duties. We regularly pay, bill and collect invoices, account for the Town's books, address correspondence, keep minutes and other important public records, update and enforce policies, ordinances and laws,

maintain or upgrade equipment, buildings, and properties, and communicate with you, our customers. I'll close with a thought that has been on my mind recently. Some say you can't fight city hall. I differ with that for a number of reasons. First, there may be no reason to think of the situation as adversarial - or as a fight. If you have an issue, come on in and we'll talk it over. If we don't know about something, how can we make it right? If you want to be anonymous, leave a voice mail after hours. Second, if you do come into the Town Hall with something on your mind, I suggest that you'll attract more bees with honey than vinegar. Finally, try to have a better idea or technique in mind as a solution when you present the problem or concern you have. This will help us all think creatively, and it will also help both parties see that there may well be more than one way to come to a solution or compromise.

As you can well see, the staff and elected officials at the Town Hall have kept very busy this year, and I'm proud to say that we have numerous accomplishments to our credit. Please join me in thanking our Selectmen: Ron Cote, Roger Gauthier, Lee Limperis, Kim Sullivan, and Todd Trobaugh; our Town Hall Staff: Judy Asdot, Diana Bernier, Linda Foley, Phyllis McDonough, and Gene Perreault; and all of the Town Board and Commission Members, Employees and volunteers. I can't name everyone here, but you should have peace of mind knowing you've contributed to a job well done. Together our work is one of the components that makes Epping such a great place. We look forward to continued successes and improvements for 1997. Thank you for your continued support. ■

—David Barker
Town Administrator

Tax Information

Tax Collector's Report For the Year Ending December 31, 1996

	1996	1995	1994	1993 & PRIOR
Property Taxes Uncollected, Committed and Other Debits				
Uncollected Taxes				
Property		933,056.00		
Land Use Change		2,500.00		3,980.00
Yield		299.00	896.00	2,068.00
Water & Sewer		55,835.00	7,262.00	2,996.00
Total		991,690.00	8,158.00	9,044.00
Taxes Committed				
Property	5,457,609.00	17,251.00		
Land Use Change	18,580.00			
Yield	16,253.00			
Water & Sewer	114,241.00			
Total	5,606,683.00	17,251.00		
Overpaid/Refund				
Property	6,693.00	27,467.00	7,863.00	3,159.00
Yield	582.00			
Water & Sewer	106.00	210.00		
Total	7,381.00	27,677.00	7,863.00	3,159.00
Interest & Penalty				
Taxes	7,552.00	48,061.00		909.00
Water & Sewer	202.00	3,026.00	1,438.00	1,364.00
Total	7,754.00	51,087.00	1,438.00	2,273.00
Adjustments	892.00	8.00		
TOTAL DEBITS	5,622,710.00	1,087,713.00	17,459.00	14,476.00
Property Taxes Collected, Abated and Other Credits				
Remitted to Treasurer				
Property Tax	4,694,948.00	403,903.00		
Land Use Change	16,080.00			
Yield	13,152.00	2.00		1,829.00
Water & Sewer	62,609.00	45,618.00	4,549.00	1,075.00
Interest & Penalties				
Taxes	7,552.00	48,061.00		909.00
Water & Sewer	202.00	3,026.00	1,438.00	1,364.00
Total	4,794,543.00	500,610.00	5,987.00	5,177.00
Converted to Lien				
Taxes		502,698.00		
Water & Sewer		10,140.00	2,712.00	1,921.00
Total		512,838.00	2,712.00	1,921.00
Abatelements				
Property Taxes	14,034.00	73,912.00	7,863.00	3,159.00
Land Use Change	2,500.00			3,980.00
Yield	2,129.00			

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Tax Information

	1996	1995	1994	1993 & PRIOR
Abatements Cont.				
Water & Sewer	1,484.00	285.00		
Total	20,147.00	74,197.00	7,863.00	7,139.00
Deeded	1,323.00	66.00		
Uncollected				
Property Taxes	754,889.00			
Yield	1,555.00		897.00	239.00
Water & Sewer	50,253.00	2.00		
Total	806,697.00	2.00	897.00	239.00
TOTAL CREDITS	5,622,710.00	1,087,713.00	17,459.00	14,476.00

Liens Taken for Unpaid Taxes

	1995	1994	1993	1992 & PRIOR
Beginning Balance				
Tax Liens		412,540.00	262,149.00	97,406.00
Water & Sewer Liens		2,872.00		3,948.00
Total		415,412.00	262,149.00	101,354.00
Liens Executed				
Taxes	540,289.00			
Water & Sewer	18,056.00			
Total	558,345.00			
Interest & Costs				
Tax Liens	10,849.00	26,793.00	55,901.00	13,203.00
W & S Liens	192.00			56.00
Total	11,041.00	26,793.00	55,901.00	13,259.00
Refunds	1,137.00	842.00		
TOTAL DEBITS	570,523.00	443,047.00	318,050.00	114,613.00

To Treasurer

Redemptions				
Tax Liens	257,694.00	213,937.00	237,810.00	38,951.00
W & S Liens	3,903.00			363.00
Interest & Costs				
Tax Liens	10,849.00	26,793.00	55,901.00	13,203.00
W & S Liens	192.00			56.00
Total	272,638.00	240,730.00	293,711.00	52,573.00
Abatements				
Tax Liens	7,754.00	1,223.00	1,144.00	5,685.00
W & S Liens	60.00			
Deeded	1,471.00	1,012.00	1,022.00	104.00
Adjustments		1,994.00	759.00	

Tax Information

1995

1994

1993

1992 & PRIOR

Abatements Cont.

Uncollected

Tax Liens	274,507.00	195,216.00	21,414.00	52,666.00
W & S Liens	14,093.00	2,872.00		3,585.00
Total	288,600.00	198,088.00	21,414.00	56,251.00
TOTAL CREDITS	570,523.00	443,047.00	318,050.00	114,613.00

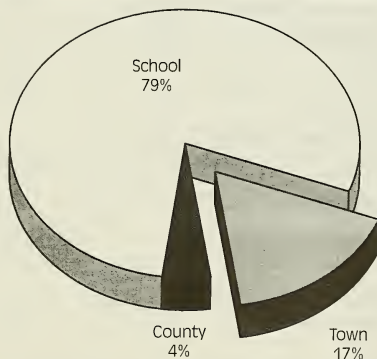
—Linda Foley, Tax Collector

1996 Tax Rate Calculations

1996 Town Rate	\$5.11
1996 County Rate	1.35
1996 School Rate	23.95
Tax Rate	\$30.41
Town Tax Assessment	\$923,792
County Tax Assessment	243,814
School Assessment	4,326,977
Tax Effort	\$5,494,583
ASSESSED VALUATION	\$180,683,441

	APPROP/DUE	REVENUE	BPT REVENUE	WAR SERV. CREDITS
Town	2,294,524	1,393,339	28,014	50,621
County	249,610		5,796	
School	4,413,916		86,939	

Overlay Maximum = \$549,458



Summary of Valuation

Value of Land Only

Current Use Land	\$1,061,639
(9,632 acres)	
Residential Land	49,336,702
(9,913 acres)	
Commercial / Industrial Land	7,175,317
(907 acres)	
Total Value of Land	\$57,573,658

Value of Buildings Only

Residential.....	\$102,866,687
Manufactured Housing	7,488,700
Commercial/Industrial	9,026,333
Total Values of Buildings.....	\$119,381,720
Tax Exempt (\$8,771,583)	

Public Utilities	\$6,223,064
Total Valuation before exemptions	\$183,178,441
Blind Exemptions (8)	\$120,000
Elderly Exemptions (93)	2,375,000
Totally & Permanently Disabled (0)	
Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions	\$(2,495,000)
Net Taxable Valuation	\$180,683,441

Current Use Report

Farm Land	1,381.05 Acres
Forest Land	6,999.07 Acres
Unproductive Wetland	1,251.47 Acres

Tax Information

Statement of Town Appropriations

As voted at the 1996 Town Meeting

General Government

Executive	161,670
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	31,645
Financial Administration	89,969
Revaluation of Property	7,000
Legal Expense	16,500
Planning & Zoning	46,239
General Government Building	26,800
Cemeteries	1,450
Insurance	46,000
Advertising & Regional Associations	5,900

Public Safety

Police	426,013
Ambulance	90,738
Fire	95,200
Bldg. Inspection	22,990

Highways & Street

Highways & Streets	224,445
Street Lighting	14,700

Sanitation

Solid Waste Collection	42,021
Solid Waste Disposal	180,600
Sewage Collection & Disposal	124,260

Water Distribution & Treatment

Water Services	70,060
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Health

Pest Control	4,120
Health Agencies & Hospitals	16,765

Welfare

Direct Assistance	52,790
Vendor Payments	26,397

Culture & Recreation

Parks & Recreation	44,050
Library	44,150
Patriotic Purposes	2,000

Conservation

Other Conservation	400
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Economic Development

1,500

Debt Service

Principal-Long term Bonds & Notes	76,667
Int.-Long Term Bonds & Notes	44,485
Interest on Tan	25,000

Capital Outlay

Land and Improvements	37,000
Mach., Veh. & Equipment	95,000

Total Appropriations

2,294,524

Source of Town Revenues

Taxes

Land Use Change Taxes	10,000
Yield Taxes	3,750
Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	200,000

Licenses Permits and Fees

UCC & Certificates	13,000
Motor Vehicle Permits Fees	320,000
Building Permits	17,000
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	5,000

From Federal Government

Other	10,000
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From State

Shared Revenue	84,000
Highway Block Grant	96,000
Water Pollution Grants	16,000

Charges for Services

Income from Departments	125,000
Other Charges	10,000

Miscellaneous Revenues

Sale of Municipal Property	5,000
Interest on Investments	25,000
Other	50,000

Interfund Operating Transfers in

Special Revenue Fund	100,000
Sewer	124,260
Water	70,060
Trust and Agency Funds	7,500

General Fund Balance

Unreserved Fund Balance	345,850
Fund Balance to be Retained	<345,850>

Total Revenues and Credits

1,291,570

MS-4 Revised Estimated Revenues

SOURCE OF REVENUE	WA No	For Use By Municipality (omit cents)	Reserved For use by DRA Prior Year
Acct. TAXES			
3120 Land Use Change Taxes		8,758	
3180 Resident Taxes			
3185 Yield Taxes		14,500	
3186 Payments in Lieu of Taxes			
3189 Other Taxes (Bank Stock Amount \$ 0)			
3190 Int. & Pen. on Delinquent Taxes		183,178	
Inventory Penalties			
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES			
3210 Business Licenses and Permits		13,994	
3220 Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		445,917	
3230 Building Permits		15,850	
3290 Other licenses, Permits & Fees		5,267	
FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT			
3319 Other - COPS Fast grant		17,310	
FROM STATE			
3351 Shared Revenue		82,232	
3353 Highway Block Grant		95,218	
3354 Water Pollution Grants			
3355 Housing & Community Development			
3356 State & Federal Forest Land Reimburse			
3357 Flood Control Reimbursement			
3359 Other (Including Railroad Tax)			
FROM OTHER GOVERNMENT			
3379 Intergov't Revenues			
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			
3401 Income from Departments		112,188	
3409 Other Charges		41,924	
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			
3501 Sale of Municipal Property		1,200	
3502 Interest on Investments		40,275	
3509 Other		44,730	
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFER			
3912 Special Revenue Fund		0	
3913 Capital Projects Fund			
3914 Enterprise Fund			
Sewer		124,260	
Water		70,060	
Electric			
3915 Capital Reserve Fund			
3916 Trust & Agency Funds			
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
3934 Proc from Long Term Notes & Bonds			
General Fund Balance	Municipal Use		
Unreserved Fund Balance	\$346,868	xxx	xxx
Fund Balance Voted From Surplus	\$0		
Fund Balance to be Retained	\$104,187	xxx	xxx
Fund Balance Remaining to Reduce Taxes	\$242,681		
TOTAL REVENUE & CREDITS		1,559,542	

REQUESTED OVERLAY (RSA 76:6)

\$166,203

29 August, 1996

PREPARED BY DAVID BARKER, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

TOWN OWNED PROPERTIES

MAP	LOT	LOCATION	VALUATION	MAP	LOT	LOCATION	VALUATION
07	046-00A	Plumer Road	3,900	10	158-009	Quakerfield Drive	25,500
07	086-1	Cor. Plumer & Red Oak Hill	25,000	10	158-010	Joshua Lane	25,800
08	074	Jacobs Well Road	26,700	10	158-011	Joshua Lane	25,700
08	075	Jacobs Well Road	49,700	10	158-012	Joshua Lane	25,900
08	092	130 Old Hedding Road	25,200	10	158-013	Joshua Lane	25,200
08	099	135 Old Hedding Road	97,600	10	158-014	Joshua Lane	25,800
08	130	Cowdin Meadow	30,100	10	158-015	Joshua Lane	25,300
09	080-1	Birch Road	43,500	10	158-016	Joshua Lane	26,100
09	090	Route 27	28,400	10	158-017	Joshua Lane	25,500
09	098	Birch Road	55,500	10	158-018	Joshua Lane	27,300
10	090	32 Friend Street	102,600	10	179-A	Route 101 West	3,300
10	106	Mill Road	54,800	10	179-B	Route 101	1,500
10	109	Mill Road	4,100	10	179-C	Off Route 101	2,200
10	138	27 Mill Pond Road	45,700	10	180-1	Off Route 101	25,500
10	151	Depot Road	51,400	10	270	Witham Road	25,200
10	152	Depot Road	44,800	10	274	Off Prescott Road	26,100
10	158-004	Joshua Lane	25,200	10	276	Folsom Mill Road	73,300
10	158-005	Quakerfield Drive	25,400	11	044	Pleasant Street	240,800
10	158-006	Quakerfield Drive	25,500	11	122	Fremont Road	2,100
10	158-007	Quakerfield Drive	25,700	11	127-004	Fremont Road	22,000
				11	131	Beede Road	25,100
				12	027-A	Academy Street	482,700
				12	037	Pleasant Street	7,200
				1	039-001	Cate Street	35,700
				12	040	Cate Street	45,000
				12	068	Lagoon Road	1,509,900
				12	225	157 Main Street	584,900
				12	26	151 Main Street	143,400
				12	227	147 Main Street	111,200
				12	252	Main & Water Streets	27,800
				12	299	Main Street & Calef Hgwy	114,200
				12	346-001	Bunker Avenue	15,100
				12	350	Water Street	17,200
				12	380	Water Street	25,000
				12	382	Mill Street	18,000

Epping High School boys soccer. Photo Courtesy of Epping High School



General Government

Budget Committee Report

The Budget Committee has met regularly with representatives from various Town Departments. The good news is that the official tax rate for the year 1996 shows Epping was in the minority of New Hampshire towns having a drop in the tax rate, while 65% of the other New Hampshire communities rates rose. This was achieved without hindering services in our community. Some services were increased, such as the Fire Department's new ladder truck, and the new athletic fields at the High School. All of this could not have been achieved without the help and dedication of all the Town Officials, Departments, and volunteers. To continue this, we as a Town

must hold, or spend less than the increase in our tax base. Also, we all need to be involved in working to increase our tax base.

The bad news is that our "Special Education" budget has dramatically increased. We are hindered by the fact that laws have been passed both at the federal and state level that provide little or no funding for the community. This is combined with the difficult problem of forecasting unforeseen needs for "Special Education" has created a large deficit in the School Budget.

The Budget Committee would like to extend an invitation to the Townspeople to attend Budget meet-

ings and become involved. Most meetings are held on the third Wednesday, 7:30 P.M., at the Harvey-Mitchell Memorial Library. Check posted minutes for further dates and times of meetings. ■

—James P. McGeough, *Chairman*
Roy Judd, *Vice Chair*
Pam Holmes, *Secretary*
Kim Sullivan, *Selectmen's Rep.*
Tom Carleton, *School Board Rep.*
Bill Davis
Cheryl Ouellette
Dennis Gagnon
Don Sisson
Rob Graham
Joe Zaccari

PLANNING BOARD Report

Changes in 1996 came about for the Planning Board. First Bob Goodrich, after serving 13 years on the Board, did not run for re-election in 1996 (Great job Bob. We miss you). Paul Spidle won the election in March, and was nominated to serve as Chairman of the Board, Ron Nowe as Vice Chairman, Michael O'Leary as Secretary and Marilyn Perry as Treasurer. Todd Trobaugh came aboard to serve as the Selectmen's Representative. Two new alternates were sworn in, Robert Eldridge and Stephen Emanouil, and a new Circuit Rider/Planner, Clay Mitchell, joined us.

The upswing in activity reported last year, continued in 1996. Several applications came before the Board, fifteen Site Plan Reviews, five lot line adjustments and two minor Subdivisions, all of which were APPROVED.

Fallon Veterinary Hospital/Clinic will be moving to a new location on Route 125, Epping. R&T Feed also moved to a new location in Epping. The Getty station on Route 125 is going through a transformation, a new Texaco station on the corner of Route 125 and Route 27 is under construction, and Irving Oil is proposing a new station, also on Route 125.

Amending and updating the Zoning ordinance continued. We are proposing several warrant articles for your consideration. They are intended to improve consistency and ease of understanding, add new permitted uses to some zones, and conform to the ever changing RSA's.

We took full advantage this year of the "matching grant" program available to municipalities. A full revision of the Town's Master Plan should be completed before long.

Members continue to attend workshops. Board Expenses were kept to a minimum. This is our continuing policy.

Members thank the citizens of Epping for their continued support and interest shown throughout the year. This helps us to set and attain goals of how best to serve the genuine needs of Epping, now and in the future. ■

—Your Planning Board

Officers:
Paul Spidle
Ronald Nowe
Michael O'Leary
Marilyn Perry
Todd Trobaugh

Alternates:
Robert Eldridge
Stephen Emanouil

General Government

Conservation Commission Report

The Nineteenth Annual Canoe Race was the highlight of a very busy year for the Conservation Commission. Participation has increased dramatically over the last two years as we hope it will for this year's Twentieth Anniversary. A Town Official's cate-

gory will be added for this very special year.

Work on the John Folsom Conservation Area has started with the dedication of a monument in memory of Charles and Gloria Willey. Later in the year, the New Hampshire Army Reserve began restoring the land. It

is hoped that trail layout and tree planting can begin this year.

The Lamprey River and its tributaries are an important part of Epping's environmental resources. Many hours have been spent dealing with problems associated with protecting these areas. The issue of Epping's Waste Water Treatment Plant and the discharge of effluent into the Lamprey is an issue that won't go away. The University of New Hampshire, under the Commission's direction, has recently completed a study on the possibilities of spray irrigation. We hope to have this study available in the spring of 1997. The study was completed at very little cost to the Commission and provided the university students with an excellent environmental problem to work on.

The Commission would like to hear from anyone interested in being on the Commission or to help with the many other projects we are working on. The annual fishing derby, environmental learning contests, and

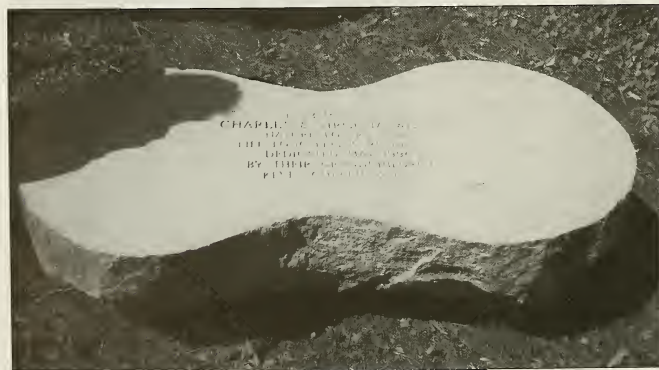
Youth Conservation Camps are a few such projects that we are always working on.

The Commission desires and needs your support in the coming year to work for the betterment of your community. ■

—The Conservation Commission

Folsom Park Monument dedicated to Charles and Virginia Willey by their grandchildren.

Photo Courtesy of Epping Conservation Commission



HARVEY-MITCHELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY Report

The much needed warrant for expanding our hours passed successfully and we are now open 40 hours per week to better serve the community and its library needs. We had nearly 9,000 people in attendance at the library in 1996. Our circulation was over 12,500 and we added about 700 items to the collection this year which is an increase of 100 over 1995.

The library hosted many special events this year. One of these events was the American Girls Doll Exposition where we had scores of people come to view the dolls and attend the party.

Our automation process continues with a hook-up to the Internet coming very soon. The library had two successful book sales this year, and the people of Epping were very generous with their gifts and book donations.

The Lydia Ladd Room was used frequently in 1996. Groups using the room included the Civil War Roundtable of New Hampshire. The

Rockingham Riding Club, the Visiting Nurses Association, Girl Scouts and various town boards.

The library maintains free passes to the Portsmouth Children's Museum, the Christa McAuliffe Planetarium, and the Boston Science Museum for the use of our patrons. Just call 679-5944 and make your reservation. Our expanded hours are Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday 10:00 a.m.,

Wednesday and Thursday 1:00-5:00 and 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Many thanks to our gallant and devoted library crew: Betty, Linda and Amy. You were great! Thanks also to Teresa, Debbie and Dick our excellent library trustees. All together we make a super team. ■

—Duanne E. Shaffer
Library Director



Code Enforcement/Building Inspector's Report

This year there has been an increase in the commercial activity around the Town. This will help the tax base as well as create jobs close to home for our residents, it also draws more business to our area. Below is a list of what is new and of interest in Epping for 1996.

- **Getty on Route 125** Upgrade all new canopy, tanks, and entrance to the store.
- **Texaco Super Station** on the corner of Routes 125 and 27, the most

modern of all the Texaco stations in the country.

- **Abenaki Timber Corporation** at 361 Pleasant Street, a producer of hard wood for world wide distribution.
- **R & T Feed and Grain** at Route 27, suppliers of pet foods, livestock grains, and supplies.
- **Bell Atlantic Cell** service upgrade.
- **New England Dragway** a new concession stand and rest rooms.

The following is a list of all the building permits issued for the year:

Renovations	12
Barns.....	10
Sheds	9
New Houses.....	21
Foundations	9
Additions	22
Decks	4
Gas Stations	2
Garages	10
Manufactured Houses	6
Kiln.....	1
Office	1
Radio Equip.....	2

Police Department Report

On behalf of the members of the Epping Police Department I would like to thank those residents who attended our Open House during March elections this past year. We had an excellent turnout and it gave us a chance to meet and talk to some of the people for whom we pro-

vide services. As you may remember, a large room was added to our facility which provided us with much needed space. We had the opportunity to use the room for meetings, training sessions and other conferences, much to our advantage. For those who were unable to attend, I invite you to stop

by anytime for a tour. Two-way communications between you and the department are vital and we hope that whenever you have the need to call the police for assistance you do so without hesitation.

Our bicycle patrol program got under way in 1996. Thanks to the efforts of SGT Michael Wallace and Officer Sean Gallagher a grant was secured through the NH Highway Safety Agency. Unfortunately, training took longer than anticipated and we were unable to use the grant to its fullest. However with the training behind us, we are looking forward to increasing those patrols this year. The patrols were extremely effective on Halloween night keeping the number of incidents to a bare minimum. Other members of the bicycle patrol are Officer Charles Eaton and Officer Richard Newman, Jr.

Our youth is an area we never seem to commit enough time to. Especially when you consider the time and dedication it takes to take on youth related activities. We are fortunate to have one officer who felt it certainly was worth the time and investment and volunteered to head our new Epping Police Explorer's Program Post #714, sponsored by the Boy Scouts of America. Officer Sean Gallagher took on the task and easily signed up five teens between the ages of 14 and 21 to get our charter. Other advisors include SGT Michael Wallace, Detective Marc Turner, Officer Maureen Dittmar and myself. Interest in this program has grown and we now have 7 members. You will be seeing more of these Explorers as they progress through various phases of training and interact with the public. We encourage any interested teenagers to drop by the station for more information.

TOP: Epping Police Department Exploring Post #714. Back Row L-R: John Emerson, Adam Laurent, Head Advisor - Officer Sean Gallagher, Daniel Dockham. Front Row L-R: Lori Carbone, Tanya Brooks, Naomi Andrews. Not pictured: Daniel Lashomb, Tabatha Allyson.

BOTTOM: Epping Police Department Bicycle Patrol. L-R: Officer Sean Gallagher, Officer Charles Eaton, Officer Richard L. Newman, Jr. Sergeant Michael Wallace. *Photos Courtesy of Epping Police Department*



Congratulations go out to Sergeant Michael Wallace, Corporal Frank Dittmar and Detective Marc Turner who were promoted to their present ranks in July of 1996. I am proud of these officers and trust in their ability to carry out the duties incumbent upon them. They and all the officers work hard, and always stand ready to give 100%.

Last year the Epping Police Department logged 6,332 calls for service. These calls range from motor vehicle stops to crimes against persons and property. In past years I have reported increases in the crime rate but this year it seems to have leveled off and no sharp increases can be reported. The most common offense reported was that of Theft with 122 reported cases followed by Criminal Mischief at 97 and Simple Assaults at 70. Most of the assaults occurred as a result of domestic violence which is a common occurrence. Incidents of burglary remain low and this can be attributed directly to our police patrol. Although it is hard to measure just what impact patrol has on crime, I think the figures speak for themselves.

There were no traffic fatalities this year although the number of accidents increased to 130, which represents an increase of 5% over the

same period in 1995. Most common cause for accidents were driver inattention, skidding, and failure to yield the right of way. Our statistics show that accidents occur mostly on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays between the hours of 12:00 noon and 5:00 p.m. With more vehicles on the road these days and the changes of traffic patterns in and around Epping due to the Route 101 project, operators of vehicles are urged to drive more defensively.

1997 Police Department Goals:

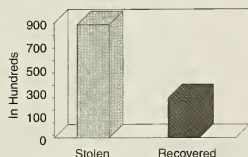
- Neighborhood Watch Programs have never materialized and can be an effective way for neighbor to watch neighbor and report any unusual occurrences. Any neighborhood wishing to set up a meeting to get this program started is urged to please call the department and ask for SGT Michael Wallace to set up an initial meeting with us and your neighbors.
- Continue the Exploring Program and encourage participation from our youth.
- Keep D.A.R.E. in our schools and promote chemical-free alternatives. And as always, please call with your suggestions on how we can improve our services. Often we don't hear the positive or negative comments from

you directly and would much rather discuss issues that concern you "one-on-one" instead of hearing them from a third party. We will strive to maintain a high level of professionalism and to be a department that is more pro-active rather than reactive. The Epping Police Department stands ready to serve you, our customer.

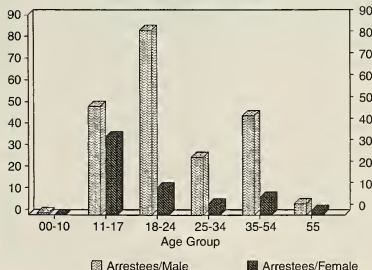
Citizens can reach the Police department for non emergencies by calling our business number 679-5834 Monday - Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Emergency calls can be directed to 9-1-1 or our 679-5122 line will still ring here or at our off premise extension at the Rockingham County Dispatch Center. On behalf of the department we wish you all a safe 1997. ■

—Gregory C. Dodge
Chief, Epping Police Department

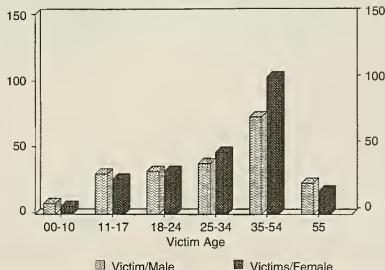
1996 Stolen/Recovered Value



1996 Arrestees by Age/Sex



1996 Victims by Age/Sex



General Government

Town Clerk's Report

In 1996, voters were able to register to vote at the polls on the day of elections for the first time. At the Presidential Primary, the Supervisors of the Checklist registered 117 new voters. An additional 113 voters were registered at the general election in November. The Supervisors should be commended for a job well done. At the election in November, one of our residents, William Mountford, voted for his seventy-fourth time. He is ninety-four years young. We look forward to seeing him in the year 2000 for the next Presidential election.

In November the Town began issuing license plates for passenger vehicles, motorcycles, and trailers. In the short time they have been available, we have issued 109 sets of plates.

Dog licensing continues to be a challenge for the Clerk's office. This is the second year we have received notice of rabies vaccination from veterinarians. As a result, many dog owners have been notified of the New Hampshire law which requires licensing all dogs by May 1st of each year.

We do not have the operation computerized, but are looking at ways to make it easy to notify dog owners in the future.

I want to take this opportunity to recognize Virginia LaPierre for all the hours she has donated - helping with mailing the tax bills and numerous filing jobs in the office. She and the other Ballot Clerks have been working to correct addresses on our voter checklist, so that the Supervisors of the Checklist can do an official

update. We are also fortunate to have many volunteers who count ballots, and with four elections this year they have been exceptionally busy. When you came to vote in November, I'm sure you noticed how nice the court room looked. This was due to some last minute painting by Judy Asdot and Dave Barker and their spouses. Many thanks to them. ■

—Linda Foley,
Town Clerk

Town Clerk's Office activity for 1996:

Revenue

Motor Vehicle Permits Issued	5,912	\$442,504.00
Municipal Agent Transactions	3,978	9,945.00
Dog Licenses	425	2,642.00
Dump Permits	564	564.00
Marriage Licenses	31	1,395.00
Certified Copies of Vital Records	95	799.00
UCC Filings	173	2,628.00
Federal Liens Filed	15	240.00
Miscellaneous		245.00
Total Remitted to Treasurer		\$460,962.00

General Assistance (Welfare) Department Report

A change in personnel in the Welfare Office in November has gone relatively smoothly. Services as required by Statute 165 have continued with little change financially from prior years.

With reductions in services being instituted by Federal and State assistance programs, the focus for local offices increasingly becomes that of providing direction toward employment, enrollment in those assistance programs that remain available, and instruction in the realities and bene-

fits-of financial independence. Fortunately, several new work incentive programs are being made available and independent charities are expanding their efforts to assist in this direction.

Epping has enacted a set of guidelines for the operation of the Welfare Office that provides for the temporary, basic expenses of those for whom misfortune has become a fact of life, while still protecting the taxpayer from undue impact and providing a strong incentive to hasten financial independence.

At its best, an assistance program acts on behalf of the community at large to protect individual citizens from threats of hunger, homelessness and destitution arising from circumstances beyond their control. Hopefully, this office will provide an effective and efficient effort in that direction and will help these citizens regain control of their lives and their finances. ■

—Catherine Grant
Welfare Administrator



TOWN Warrants & Budgets



FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1996



WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

TOWN OF EPPING

To the inhabitants of the Town of Epping, in the County of Rockingham qualified to vote in Town Affairs: You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall Meeting Room at 157 Main Street in said Epping on Tuesday, March 11th, 1997 at 8:00 A.M. until 7:00 P.M. and at the Epping Middle High School Gymnasium located on Prescott Road on Tuesday, March 18th, 1997 at 7:00 P.M. to act upon the following:

TO BE TAKEN UP TUESDAY, MARCH 11th, 1997:

ARTICLE 1 To choose the following: two for Board of Adjustment for three (3) year terms, three for Municipal Budget Committee for three (3) year terms, one for Cemetery Trustee for a three (3) year term, one for Fireward for a three (3) year term, one for Library Trustee for a three (3) year term, two for Planning Board for three (3) year terms, two for Selectman for three (3) year terms, one for Treasurer for a one (1) year term, and one for Trustee of Trust Funds for a three (3) year term.

ARTICLE 2 Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Epping Town Meeting? *{3/5 majority vote required, submitted by petition.}*

ARTICLE 3 Are you in favor of amending Article 2, Highway Commercial Zone Section 1.3 to delete gasoline or service stations as a permitted use in the zone. *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Planning Board.}*

ARTICLE 4 Are you in favor of amending Article 3, Industrial-Commercial Zone Schedule II to add gasoline or service stations as a permitted use in the following locations in the zone, "Gasoline or Service Stations may only be located in an area bounded as follows: on the North-Mast Road, on the East and West a line 1300' from the centerline of Route 27 or to the property line, whichever is greater, on the South-Epping/ Brentwood town line." *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Planning Board.}*

ARTICLE 5 Are you in favor of amending Article 3, West Epping Commercial Business District, Article 3 the Industrial Commercial Zone, and Article 3 the Residential Zone to add gasoline or service stations as a permitted use in the following location in the above mentioned zones, "Gasoline and Service Stations may only be located in an area bounded as follows: on the North-the B&M Railroad (Fremont Branch) right-of-way, on the East-1500' in from the center of Beede Road or to the depth of the parcel or whichever is greater, on the South-Fremont town line, on the West-Beede Road." *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Planning Board.}*

ARTICLE 6 Are you in favor of amending Article 3, Central Business Zone, Minimum Front Setback to read: "15 feet However, any property that has frontage on, or abuts, Route 125 (Calef Highway) shall have a minimum setback of 100 feet from the centerline of Route 125 (Calef Highway)." *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Planning Board.}*

ARTICLE 7 Are you in favor of amending Article 3, High Density Residential Zone, Minimum Front Setback to read: "25 feet However, any property that has frontage on, or abuts, Route 125 (Calef Highway) shall have a minimum setback of 100 feet from the centerline of Route 125 (Calef Highway)." *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Planning Board.}*

ARTICLE 8 Are you in favor of amending Article 3, Residential Commercial Zone, Minimum Front Setback to read: "100 feet from the centerline of all existing roads and 75 feet from the centerline for proposed (non-existing) internal roads of Class V or greater." *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Planning Board.}*

ARTICLE 9 Are you in favor of amending Article 7 Aquifer Protection District Zone to adopt the new, updated map entitled "Aquifer Protection District" based upon the data provided in "Geohydrology and Water Quality of Stratified-Drift Aquifers in the Exeter, Lamprey, and Oyster River Basins, Southeastern New Hampshire" prepared by the United States Geological Survey, and to revise Section 7.2 District Boundaries to read as follows: "7.2.1. Location - The Aquifer Protection District is defined as follows: The Aquifer areas are labeled "A", "B", "C", "D", "E" and "G" and depicted as the shaded areas on...All uses within these districts shall be limited to uses permitted in the basic underlying zone." To Add to section 7.2.1 the following: "(1) Land affected by the Aquifer designated "D", which is hydrogeologically connected to the Lamprey River, shall only be covered by the following sections of this Article: 7.4.3, 7.4.5, 7.4.6, 7.4.7, 7.5, 7.6, 7.7, and 7.8." Map is posted at Town Hall. *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Planning Board.}*

ARTICLE 10 Are you in favor of amending Article 19 Sign Ordinance Table 19.1 as posted at Town Hall. Changes made to this Table include modifications on sign size, provisions regarding corner lots, and multiple tenants. *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Planning Board}*

ARTICLE 11 Are you in favor of amending Article 12, Definitions, by adding the following: "Dual Use: A use of land where a single parcel, site, or property is used for two distinct uses, both of which are permitted uses in the zone and meet all other town and zoning requirements. A dual use designation cannot be used to expand a non-conforming or non-permitted use or be acquired through the variance process." *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Planning Board.}*

ARTICLE 12 Are you in favor of adopting Article 20 Telecommunications Facilities Ordinance as posted at Town Hall. This ordinance shall provide for regulation of telecommunications facilities in the Town through a Conditional Use Permit issued by the Planning Board. This ordinance permits co-location on existing structures and facilities in the Highway-Commercial and Residential-Commercial zones and new towers in the Industrial Commercial zone, subject to the Conditional Use Permit. *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Planning Board.}*

ARTICLE 13 Are you in favor of amending the Excavation Ordinance, General Procedures as posted at the Town Hall. This amendment creates a threshold amount requiring Planning Board review for an excavation. *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Planning Board.}*

ARTICLE 14 Are you in favor of amending the Excavation Ordinance, Section VII. OPERATIONAL STANDARDS, by revising 23 to correlate with the Town Noise Ordinance as posted at the Town Hall. *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Planning Board.}*

TO BE TAKEN UP TUESDAY, MARCH 18th, 1997:

ARTICLE 15 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000.00) to purchase land and buildings and to make repairs or improvements at 37 Pleasant Street Tax Map 12 lot 247; of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000.00) of such sum to be raised through the issuance of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended; to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project; to authorize the Selectmen to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver said bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and authorize the Selectmen to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. *{Ballot Vote Required. 2/3rd Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Municipal Budget Committee.}*

ARTICLE 16 To see what action the Town will take in regards to the reports of its officers and agents.

ARTICLE 17 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept gifts of personal property which may be offered to the Town for any public purpose, pursuant to RSA 31:95-e. The Board of Selectmen must hold a public hearing before accepting such gift, and the acceptance shall not bind the Town to raise, appropriate, or expend any public funds for the operation, maintenance, repair or replacement of such personal property. *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.}*

ARTICLE 18 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept on behalf of the Town, gifts, legacies, and devises made to the Town in trust for any public purpose, as permitted by RSA 31:19. *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.}*

ARTICLE 19 To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 202-A:4-d authorizing the Library Trustees to accept gifts of personal property, other than money, which may be offered to the library for any public purpose, provided, however, that no acceptance of personal property by the Library Trustees shall be deemed to bind the Town or the Library Trustees to raise, appropriate or expend any public funds for the operation, maintenance, repair or replacement of such personal property. And further to require that prior to the acceptance of any such gift, valued at over five thousand dollars (\$5,000), the Library Trustees shall hold a public hearing on the proposed acceptance. . *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Library Trustees.}*

ARTICLE 20 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, pursuant to RSA 674:40-a(1), to accept on behalf of the Town dedicated streets which have first been approved by the Planning Board as part of a subdivision plat, site plan, or street plat. *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.}*

ARTICLE 21 To see if the Town will vote to retain the property known as Folsum Park, off Joshua Lane, Map 10 Lots 158 004 through 018 for public purposes, to be managed by the Conservation Commission. *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Conservation Commission.}*

ARTICLE 22 Shall we modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Epping, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000); for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000); for a person 80 years of age or older thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000). To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more nineteen thousand dollars (\$19,000) or, if married, a combined net income of less than twenty one thousand dollars (\$21,000); and own net assets not in excess of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000). *{Ballot Vote Required. Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen}*

ARTICLE 23 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000.00) to purchase land and buildings and to make repairs or improvements at 37 Pleasant Street Tax Map 12 lot 247, and to authorize the transfer of \$50,000 from the Safety Complex Fund for this purpose. *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Municipal Budget Committee.}*

ARTICLE 24 To see if the Town will vote to accept the streets of East Delaney Road, Woodlands Drive, and Dorothy Drive, approximately one (1) mile of roadway. *{Majority vote required. Submitted by petition.}*

ARTICLE 25 To see if the Town will vote to prohibit the importation and land spreading of wastewater treatment sludge/ biosolids, including, but not limited to, sewage, paper and pulp mill sludge, whether it be wet, dry, composted, pelletized, mixed with other materials or injected on or into the land of the Town of Epping. *{Majority vote required. Submitted by petition.}*

ARTICLE 26 To see if the Town will vote to amend the existing by-laws relating to the regulation and licensing of motor vehicle race tracks using the attached text "BY-LAWS RELATING TO THE REGULATION AND LICENSING OF MOTOR VEHICLE RACE TRACKS". *{Majority vote required. Submitted by petition. Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen.}*

ARTICLE 27 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) in support of the Epping Youth Athletic Association *{Submitted by Petition. Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Municipal Budget Committee.}*

ARTICLE 28 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) for the purpose of expansion to the Town's water and sewer utilities and to authorize the transfer of \$200,000 of the December 31, 1996 Water Fund balance, and to authorize the transfer of \$100,000 of the December 31, 1996 Sewer Fund balance for this purpose. Expansion will occur along Route 125 from Railroad Ave. south to Map12 Lot 127-001 (Burger King) and will also include the development of two additional wells. *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Municipal Budget Committee.}*

ARTICLE 29 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty five thousand dollars (\$55,000) for improvements and repairs to the Town Hall property, including replacement windows on the first floor, paint the trim, acoustical improvements in the meeting room, removal of the dead tree, and new shingles on the roof. *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Municipal Budget Committee.}*

ARTICLE 30 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty one thousand eight hundred fifty five dollars (\$31,855) to be distributed to the organizations listed below in the amounts noted for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during 1996: *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and \$30,355 recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee.}*

Agency	Requested	Selectmen Recommend	BudCom. Recommend
A Safe Place	750	500	500
American Red Cross	1500	0	0
Area Homemaker Home Health Aide Service	2900	2610	2610
Child and Family Services	4500	4500	4500
Lamprey Health Care	3500	3400	3400
Retired Senior Volunteer Program	300	300	300
Richie McFarland Children's Center	2750	2475	2475
Rockingham County Community Action Program	8991	5000	3500
Rockingham Nutrition & Meals On Wheels Program	2242	2220	2220
Rockingham Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice	6800	0	0
Seacoast Aids Response	1000	0	0
Seacoast Big Brother/Big Sister Program	6120	6120	6120
Seacoast Hospice	1500	1480	1480
Sexual Assault Support Services	1250	1250	1250
Seacoast Mental Health	2000	2000	2000
TOTAL	46103	31855	30355

ARTICLE 31 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) for updating and adding to the Epping base and overlay maps used in the planning and land use processes. The Planning Board is encouraged to use grant money that may be available to defray the cost. *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Municipal Budget Committee.}*

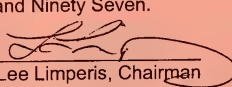
ARTICLE 32 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty six thousand dollars (\$26,000) for the first of three phases which will result in complete re-map and replacement of the Epping town tax maps. *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Municipal Budget Committee.}*

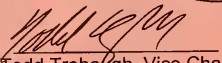
ARTICLE 33 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to purchase furnishings and equipment to convert the basement meeting room of the Harvey-Mitchell Memorial Library into a Children and youth Library and to pay salary and employee overhead costs for staffing. *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Library Trustees. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, not recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee.}*

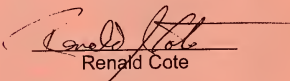
ARTICLE 34 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two million two hundred five thousand three hundred ninety four dollars (\$2,205,394) which represents the operating budget of the Town. Said sum does not include the special warrant articles herein contained. *{Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Municipal Budget Committee.}*

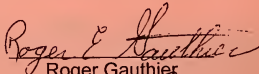
ARTICLE 35 To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

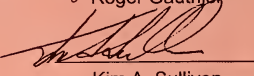
Given under our hands and seal this 10th day of February, in the year of our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Seven.


Lee Limperis, Chairman


Todd Trobaugh, Vice Chair


Renald Cote


Roger Gauthier


Kim A. Sullivan

BY- LAWS RELATING TO THE REGULATION AND LICENSING OF
MOTOR VEHICLE RACE TRACKS

Pursuant to Chapter 31, Sections 41-a and 42 of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated, the Town of Epping does hereby adopt the following By-Laws governing motor vehicle race tracks operating within the Town of Epping, NH during the said hours is used as a motor vehicle race track.

For purposes of these By-Laws, as defined by RSA S31 :41-a, a motor vehicle shall mean “any self-propelled vehicle, except tractors, activated by an internal combustion engine and not operated exclusively on stationary tracks.”

Further that because the Town of Epping has currently both a “one quarter mile circular stock car track and a one quarter mile drag racing track” and that regulations to each type of track may differ, in those cases these By-Laws will refer to these tracks as either a circle track or drag strip respectively.

ARTICLE I. The operational season for motor vehicle race tracks shall begin on April 1 and end on October 30 of each year. During such season, race tracks may operate on the following days during the following hours:

Wednesday	*1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	6:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.
Friday	6:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m.
Sunday	12:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., effective for the 1998 racing season

* - Single car practice only

The police officer in charge at the race track may allow the owner and/or operator of the race track to operate beyond those hours specified above when emergency conditions arise which prevent the completion of the advertised racing schedule within the said specified hours of operation. An emergency condition shall include but not be limited to, any substantial mechanical breakdown or failure of either a motor vehicle *or track operating system*, major accidents, or unexpected severe weather conditions. Any emergency condition not expressly covered by this Article I shall be addressed to the police officer in charge for his determination as to whether an emergency condition exists. *It is the responsibility of the track management to contact the officer in charge no less than one-half hour prior to closing time specified above to request a continuation of racing.* No racing race shall begin after the hours of operation as specified above without prior approval from the *police officer in charge*. Under no circumstances shall racing continue after twelve midnight. Additional days and hours of operation may be approved by the Board of Selectmen upon timely, *minimum of seven days prior to the event, if time permits between events*; written application from the race track owner and/or operator.

ARTICLE II. No alcoholic beverages of any kind shall be allowed on the race track premises that include the general admission area, pit area and seating areas. Any person entering the race track premises shall be subject to search of his person, *vehicle* and/or packages for alcoholic beverages. The race track owner and/or operator shall post signs advising of this Article II at each gate entrance used by the general public and at the main car entrance gate. Failure to knowingly comply with the signage requirements of this Article shall be grounds for the revocation of the race track operational license and/or the imposition of fines in accordance with Article XXIII of these By-Laws.

ARTICLE III. Sufficient police protection and traffic control personnel, as *determined by the Chief of Police of the Town of Epping, New Hampshire* and as specified by RSA S105 : 9 shall be provided on the race track premises at the expense of the race track owner and/or operator. The officer in charge will have two way communication with the track tower, this communication will be provided by the race track owner and/or operator.

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REMAINING TEXT IS IN ACCORDANCE WITH CURRENT BY-LAWS OR PREVIOUS PERMITS.**

ARTICLE IV. Sufficient fire protection equipment and *personnel as determined by the Fire Chief of the Town of Epping, New Hampshire* shall be provided on the race track premises at the expense of the race track owner and/or operator.

ARTICLE V. Adequate ambulance service shall be provided on the race track premises at all times during which the track is open to the general public and/or operating; *to include operation for single car practice*; at the expense of the race track owner and/or operator. In determining what is adequate, consideration shall be given to the nature of the activities being conducted and the number of persons present on the race track premises, *as determined by the Fire Chief of the Town of Epping, New Hampshire.*

ARTICLE VI. At least one ambulance, sufficient police protection and adequate traffic control personnel shall remain on the track premises until the majority of the general public has departed following the close of operational hours, as determined by the police officer in charge.

ARTICLE VII. The race track owner and/or operator shall reimburse the Town of Epping for such police, fire, traffic control and ambulance services as may be furnished by the Town of Epping, in accordance with Articles III, IV and V. Payment shall be made to the Town no later than ten (10) business days after the *date of mailing* of the bill for services rendered. Should payment not be made in accordance with this Article an interest charge of eighteen (18%) per annum or twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per day, whichever is greater, shall be assessed against the unpaid balance. The Board of Selectmen, may revoke the operational license of the race track until delinquent payments are made.

ARTICLE VIII. During the operating season, sufficient sanitary facilities shall be provided on the race track premises. Such facilities shall include men's and women's rest rooms containing suitable toilet and lavatory facilities, which shall be maintained in good working order and in full compliance with all applicable laws, ordinances and regulations. The Health Officer *of the Town of Epping, New Hampshire* is charged with the enforcement of this Article, and shall make such inspections at such times as may deemed necessary in order to insure compliance herewith.

ARTICLE IX. Sufficient off-street parking shall be provided *by the race track owner and/or operator* to accommodate all patrons of the race track. *It is the responsibility of the race track owner and/or operator to provide parking attendants to assure that off-street parking is utilized.*

ARTICLE X. No later than *November 1 of each year*, the race track owner and/or operator shall submit to the Board of Selectmen a written operating schedule for the ensuing year. *The Board of Selectmen will conduct a timely public hearing based on the operating schedules submitted*, and consistent with these By-Laws and other applicable laws, ordinances and regulations, make such changes in the operating schedules, as it deems proper.

ARTICLE XI. No motor vehicle race track shall be operated within the Town of Epping unless the race track owner and/or operator has, upon written application to the Board of Selectmen; obtained a license to operate such race track in accordance with these By-Laws. The license fee to be paid to the Town of Epping, New Hampshire: shall be \$100.00 annually. All such operational licenses shall expire one year from the date of issue.

ARTICLE XII. Certificates of *adequate* insurance shall be required from all motor vehicle race track owners and/or operators prior to the *issuance of an annual operating license* and commencement of any race. Failure to comply with this Article may result in the suspension of the operational license.

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ARTICLE XIII. Temporary overnight lodging shall be permitted on the track premises for the race car driver, owner(s), crew *and fans attending the event* in accordance with the following standards:

- a. Overnight lodging shall be permitted only in Recreational Vehicles with self contained toilet and lavatory facilities.
- b. Such Recreational Vehicles shall be permitted on the race track premises no more than twenty four (24) hours prior to a scheduled event and no longer than twelve (12) hours following completion of such event.
- c. A portion of the race track premises, shall be designated as the approved sleeping area and shall be posted accordingly.
- d. Only "Gray Water" may be discharged into approved septic facilities on the race track premises. "Gray Water" is defined as wash and laundry water.
- e. Sanitary facilities shall be provided on the race track premises as deemed necessary by Town of Epping Health Officer and in accordance with all applicable laws, ordinances and regulations.
- f. Adequate security, *as determined by the Chief of Police, Epping, NH;* shall be provided at the expense of the race track owner and/or operator whenever temporary lodging is permitted on race track premises.

ARTICLE XIV. In accordance with RSA S143-A : 4, all food services establishments located on or adjacent to the race track premises shall be required to obtain a food service license from the State of New Hampshire, Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health Services; prior to the issuance of a Town permit to operate such establishment *and be issued an annual operating license.*

ARTICLE XV. Prior to the issuance of a motor vehicle race track license, the race track owner and/or operator shall schedule with the Town of Epping, Code Enforcement Officer an appointment to inspect the race track premises for compliance with all applicable laws, ordinances regulations and the By-Laws. The Code Enforcement Officer shall be charged with the enforcement thereof, and shall conduct a minimum of two on-site inspections during the operational season; *one will be during an actual scheduled event and one of which may be unannounced.* The Code Enforcement Officer shall notify the owner and/or operator in writing of any violation within seventy two (72) hours of his discovery of same. The owner and/or operator shall correct such violation(s) within five (5) days of receipt of notification. Failure to correct such violation(s) may result in the suspension or revocation of the motor vehicle race track operational license. After a public hearing, the Board of Selectmen may suspend or revoke such operational license indefinitely for and all violations not corrected in accordance with this Article.

ARTICLE XVI. Loud speaker systems will be operated so as not to exceed 70 DBA (decibels) at any property line of the race track premises.

ARTICLE XVII. *Effective for the 1998 racing season, weekly racing events (sometimes referred to as "Grudge Races or Cruise & Drag Races) at the "drag strip" schedule for Wednesday and Friday evenings will be limited to vehicles not equipped with racing (tires) slicks or do not exceed 80 DBA at any property line. This requirement would not apply should a "Regular Show/Racing Event" be scheduled on these nights, were as there are no specific muffler requirements on "drag strip" motor vehicles.*

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ARTICLE XVIII. *Effective for the 1998 racing season, no vehicle at the "drag strip" with a noise level that exceeds 80 DBA at any property line, will be operated prior to 11:00 a.m. during a scheduled Sunday racing event.*

ARTICLE XIX. Muffler requirements at the "circle track" will be as follows:

- a. All motor vehicles will have operational mufflers, that do not exceed 97 DBA, with the following exceptions:
- b. Enduro cars, do not require mufflers. But will not exceed 75 DBA at any property line.
- c. ISMA/Super Modified Racing Vehicles will be in compliance with the most current ISMA muffler rules.

Currently visiting tour vehicles do not have to comply with any muffler requirements

ARTICLE XX. *A track representative will escort a uniformed police officer through the race track premises once during each event in order to communicate any potential non-compliance. This may be waived by the officer in charge if not considered necessary at an individual event.*

ARTICLE XXI. *The officer in charge will prepare a written report to the Chief of Police for the Board of Selectmen, indicating any violation(s) of these By-Laws for review at the next scheduled Board of Selectmen's meeting. Based on the Board of Selectmen's review of this report and/or additional testimony of the officer in charge, a determination will be made concerning appropriate action. The race track owner and/or operator will be provided a copy of the officer in charge report prior to Board of Selectmen's meeting.*

ARTICLE XXII. The Board of Selectmen may, upon written application, waive the provisions of these By-Laws for good cause shown after a public hearing, of which all abutters have been duly notified *by publication in a local newspaper and posting at the Epping Town Hall at least two days prior to the Public Hearing.*

ARTICLE XXIII. If the owner and/or operator of a race track knowingly violates these By-Laws, a \$100.00 fine may be imposed for the first offense and a fine not to exceed \$500.00 may be imposed for each subsequent offense during the existing calendar year. Willful disregard of any such violation may be punished by a fine not to exceed \$500.00. The Epping Board of Selectmen and the Chief of Police are authorized to enforce and/or prosecute any violation(s) of these By-Laws.

ARTICLE XXIV. The invalidity of any provision or provisions of these By-Laws shall not affect the validity of any other provision hereof.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION

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BUDGET FORM FOR TOWNS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED
THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 24

BUDGET OF THE TOWN

OF EPPING N.H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1997 to December 31, 1997 or
for Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT: Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address above.

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

Budget Committee: (Please sign in ink.)

Date 8 February 1997

[Signature] 2/6/97
James J. Holmes 2-8-97
[Signature] 2/8/97
[Signature] 2/8/97
Donald G. Sisson

[Signature]
[Signature]
[Signature]

(Revised 1996)

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1997 Acct. No.	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 31:4)	Warrant Art. #	Appropriations Prior Year Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Board of Selectmen		Budget Committee	
					1997 Recommended	1997 Not Recommended	1997 Recommended	1997 Not Recommended
GENERAL GOVERNMENT								
4102-4129	Executive		161,670	167,145	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4104-4169	Election, Registration, & Vital Statistics		66,625	28,985			165,550	165,550
4105-4151	Financial Administration		54,989	54,049			66,845	66,845
4152	Revaluation of Property		7,000	4,618			52,501	52,501
4153	Legal Expense		16,500	25,199			9,500	9,500
4155-4156	Personnel Administration						16,500	16,500
4101-4193	Planning & Zoning	30	46,239	43,922				59,150
4194	General Govt. Buildings		26,800	41,003			37,700	37,700
4195	Cemeteries		1,450	0			1,450	1,450
4196	Insurance		46,000	45,278			46,000	46,000
4197	Advertise. & Reg. Assoc. Dues.		5,900	5,955			6,500	6,500
4199	Other General Government							
PUBLIC SAFETY								
4214-4214	Police		426,013	398,717	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4215-4215	Ambulance		115,588	103,644			449,839	449,839
4220-4220	Fire		70,350	72,065			120,737	120,737
4240-4240	Building Inspection		22,990	24,223			75,810	75,810
4250-4250	Emergency Management						31,600	31,600
4259	Other Public Safety							
HIGHWAYS & STREETS								
4311-4312	Admin. Highway		224,445	209,726	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
4313	Bridges						318,553	318,553
4314-4319	Street Lighting & Other		14,700	14,778			14,000	14,000

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Acct. No.	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 31:4)	Warrant Art. #	Appropriations Prior Year Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Board of Selectmen		Budget Committee	
					1997 Recommended	1997 Not Recommended	1997 Recommended	1997 Not Recommended
SANITATION								
4321-4323	Admin & Solid Waste Collection		39,682	39,682	44,825		44,825	
4324-4325	Solid Waste Disposal & Cleanup		167,842	167,842	151,100		151,100	
4326-4329	Sewage Collection & Disposal & Other		124,260	93,391	133,320		133,320	
WATER DISTRIBUTION AND TREATMENT								
4331-4332	Admin & Water Services		xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx
4333-4339	Water Treatment, Cons. & Other		70,060	45,159	86,970		86,970	
ELECTRIC								
4351-4352	Admin & Generation		xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx
4353	Purchase Costs							
4354	Electric Equip Maint.							
4355-4359	Other Electric Costs							
HEALTH								
4411-4414	Admin, ACO & Pest Control		4,120	2,038	2,480		2,480	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hospitals & Other	32	16,510	16,510	11,710	7,232	11,710	7,232
WELFARE								
4441-4442	Admin. & Direct Assistance		xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx
4444	Intergov. Welfare Payments		52,790	24,471	30,915		30,915	
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other	32	26,652	26,652	20,145	16,816	18,645	18,316
CULTURE & RECREATION								
4505-4509	Parks & Recreation		xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx
4550-4559	Library	31	44,150	44,150	61,300		60,800	15,000

Acct. No.	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 31:4)	Warrant Art. #	Appropriations Prior Year Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Board of Selectmen		Budget Committee	
					1997 Recommended	1997 Not Recommended	1997 Recommended	1997 Not Recommended
4553	Patrotic Purposes		2,000	0	1,000		1,000	
4559	Other Culture & Recreation							
CONSERVATION								
4511-4512	Admin. & Purchases of Nat. Resources		xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx
4619	Other Conservation		400	400	400		400	
4531-2	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING							
4551-9	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		1,500	465	1,000		1,000	
DEBT SERVICE								
4711	Princ. - Long Term Bonds & Notes		176,667	176,667	130,000		130,000	
4712	Interest - Long Term Bonds & Notes		24,485	44,453	30,048		30,048	
4723	Interest on TANS		25,000	20,060	20,000		20,000	
4750-4759	Other Debt Service							
CAPITAL OUTLAY								
4801	Land & Improvements		xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx
4802	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment							
4803	Buildings							
4804	Imprv. other than Buildings							
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT								
4812	To Special Revenue Fund		xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx
4813	To Capital Projects Fund							
4814	To Enterprise Fund							
	Sewer-							
	Water-							
	Electric-							

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Acct. No.	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 31:4)	Warrant Art. #	Appropriations Prior Year Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Board of Selectmen		Budget Committee	
					1997 Recommended	1997 Not Recommended	1997 Recommended	1997 Not Recommended
4615	To Capital Reserve Fund							
4616	To Expendable Trust Fund (State Health Assoc. F.F.)							
4617	To Health Main Trust Fund							
4618	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds							
4619	To Agency Funds							
	SUBTOTAL 1		2,127,426	1,983,170	2,258,249	24,048	2,241,749	40548

Please note: "Individual Warrant Articles" are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles", which are addressed below.

Acct. No.	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 31:4)	Warrant Art. #	Appropriations Prior Year Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Board of Selectmen		Budget Committee	
					1997 Recommended	1997 Not Recommended	1997 Recommended	1997 Not Recommended
	Purchase 37 Pleasant Street. (If Bond fails)	23			150,000		150,000	
	Tax Maps - Phase I	29			26,000		26,000	
	Town Hall Property Repairs & Improvements	33			55,000		55,000	
	SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended		XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	231,000	XXXXXXX	231,000	XXXXXXX

Special Warrant Articles are defined in RSA 323, VI, as 1) Petitioned Warrant Articles; 2) an article whose appropriation is raised by bonds or rules; 3) an article which calls for an appropriation to a separate fund created pursuant to law such as Capital Reserve or Trust funds; and 4) any article designated on the warrant as a special article or as nonlapsing on nontransferable article.

Acct. No.	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 31:4)	Warrant Art. #	Appropriations Prior Year Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Board of Selectmen		Budget Committee	
					1997 Recommended	1997 Not Recommended	1997 Recommended	1997 Not Recommended
	Purchase 37 Pleasant Street - BOND	22	0	0	150,000		150,000	
	Support Epping Youth Athletic Assoc.	27	3000	3000	3,000		3,000	
	Water & Sewer Expansion (Rte 125 & Wells)	28			300,000		300,000	
	SUBTOTAL 3 Recommended		XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	453,000	XXXXXXX	453,000	XXXXXXX

SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr Art. #	Estimated Revenue Prior Year	Actual Revenue Prior Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE for Ensuing Fiscal Year
Acct.				
TAXES		XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
3120 Land Use Change Taxes		10,000	16,934	10000
3180 Resident Taxes				
3185 Yield Taxes		3,750	14,124	5000
3186 Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189 Other Taxes				
3190 Int. & Pen. on Delinquent Taxes		200,000	182,263	175000
Inventory Penalties				
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES		XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
3210 UCC & Certificates		13,000	14,461	15000
3220 Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		320,000	451,998	450000
3230 Building Permits		17,000	29,630	29000
3290 Other licenses, Permits & Fees		5,000	5,765	5000
3311-3319 FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT		10,000	22,984	22651
FROM STATE		XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
3351 Shared Revenue		84,000	82,232	80000
3353 Highway Block Grant		96,000	95,218	104299
3354 Water Pollution Grants		16,000	0	0
3355 Housing & Community Development				
3356 State & Federal Forest Land Reimburse				
3357 Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359 Other Miscellaneous				
3379 FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS				
CHARGES FOR SERVICES		XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
3401 Income from Departments		125,000	146,081	140000
3409 Other Charges		10,000	43,868	40000
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES		XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
3501 Sale of Municipal Property		5,000	1,205	5000
3502 Interest on Investments		25,000	48,926	50000
3509 Other		50,000	49,066	50000
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFER IN		XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
3912 Special Revenue Fund		100,000	0	

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SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr Art. #	Estimated Revenue Prior Year	Actual Revenue Prior Year	REVENUE for Ensuing Fiscal Year
Acct.				
3914 Enterprise Fund				
Sewer		124,260	109,537	140000
Water		70,060	38,786	90000
Electric				
3915 Capital Reserve Fund				
3916 Trust & Agency Funds		7,500	0	0
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
3934 Proc from Long Term Notes & Bonds	22	0	0	150,000
Fund Balance Voted From Surplus	28	XXXXXXX		300,000
Fund Balance Remaining to Reduce Taxes		XXXXXXX	242,681	XXXXXXX
TOTAL REVENUE & CREDITS		1,291,570	1,595,759	1,860,950

BUDGET SUMMARY

SELECTMEN

BUDGET COMMITTEE

SUBTOTAL 1 Recommended (from page 4)	\$2,258,249	\$2,241,749
SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended (from page 4)	\$231,000	\$231,000
SUBTOTAL 3 Recommended (from page 4)	\$453,000	\$453,000
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	\$2,942,249	\$2,925,749
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues (Exclusive of Property Taxes) (From Above)		
	\$1,860,950	\$1,860,950
Amount of Taxes to be raised	\$1,081,299	\$1,064,799

Expense Budget of the Town of Epping as proposed for 1997

TITLE	1994 EXPENSE	1995 VOTED	1995 EXPENSE	96 BUD VOTE	96 EXPENSE	97 DEPT REQUEST	% CHG	INCREASE OR DECREASE - FROM LAST YR	1997 SELECTMEN VOTE	1997 BUDGET COMMITTEE VOTE
Selectmen	21,159	46,850	50,681	47,050	42,847	37,450	-20	-9,600	37,450	37,450
Town Administrator	95,456	96,290	104,621	107,915	115,194	118,355	10	10,440	118,355	118,355
Town Meeting	4,107	4,500	8,492	6,705	9,104	9,745	-31	3,040	9,745	9,745
Finance Admin.	40,805	45,810	36,693	42,024	37,924	34,436	-18	-7,588	34,436	34,436
Treasurer	2,155	2,835	2,390	2,765	2,267	2,815	2	50	2,815	2,815
Town Clerk	20,627	20,425	20,792	28,455	22,940	29,925	5	1,470	29,925	29,925
Elections	2,460	2,000	1,398	3,190	3,172	1,075	-66	-2,115	1,075	1,075
Tax Collector	39,601	41,335	38,982	34,980	2,873	35,845	2	865	35,845	35,845
Data Processing	16,511	18,600	17,538	10,200	13,857	15,250	50	5,050	15,250	15,250
Property Valuation	4,849	35,000	7,000	4,618	9,500	9,500	36	2,500	9,500	9,500
Legal	34,612	30,000	10,462	16,500	25,199	16,500	0	0	16,500	16,500
Zoning Board of Adjustment	795	1,100	2,289	1,500	6,121	8,150	443	6,650	8,150	8,150
Town Buildings	18,085	27,400	19,865	26,800	41,003	37,700	41	10,900	37,700	37,700
Insurance	55,539	52,000	45,433	46,000	45,278	46,000	0	0	46,000	46,000
Police	314,928	354,325	368,044	426,013	398,717	449,839	6	23,826	449,839	449,839
Animal Control	2,967	4,120	1,862	4,120	2,038	2,480	-40	-1,640	2,480	2,480
Fire	55,299	79,100	71,894	70,350	72,065	75,810	8	5,450	75,810	75,810
Ambulance	77,244	91,483	84,743	115,588	103,644	120,737	4	5,149	120,737	120,737
Planning Board	30,373	44,601	28,727	44,739	37,801	45,000	1	261	45,000	45,000
Association Dues	5,772	6,100	5,772	5,900	5,955	6,500	10	600	6,500	6,500
Code Enforcement	40,527	22,345	21,405	22,990	24,223	31,600	37	8,610	31,600	31,600
Welfare	39,400	51,055	48,394	52,790	24,471	30,915	-41	-21,875	30,915	30,915
Highway	242,874	243,443	137,705	224,445	209,726	318,553	42	94,108	318,553	318,553
Street Lights	13,785	16,100	14,504	14,700	14,778	14,000	-5	-700	14,000	14,000
Sewer	92,103	127,400	81,856	124,260	93,391	133,320	7	9,060	133,320	133,320
Water	49,718	68,400	32,713	70,060	45,159	86,970	24	16,910	86,970	86,970
Solid Waste										
Cemetery	6200	5000	207,544	222,621	207,523	195,925	-3	-26,696	195,925	195,925
Recreation	0	29,100	31,309	44,050	41,914	60,800	38	16,750	60,800	60,800
Library		35,900	36,385	44,150	44,150	46,300	5	2,150	46,300	46,300
Patriotic Purposes	903	1,000	0	2,000	0	1,000	-50	-1,000	1,000	1,000
Conservation Commission	400	400	400	400	400	400	0	0	400	400
Economic Development	22	1,500	30	1,500	465	1,000	-33	-500	1,000	1,000
Debt Services - Bond Princ.	201,667	195,700	196,667	176,667	176,667	130,000	-26	-46,667	130,000	130,000
Bond Interest		24,200	24,086	24,485	44,463	30,048	23	5,563	30,048	30,048
TAN interest	31,552	30,000	30,245	25,000	20,060	20,000	-20	-5,000	20,000	20,000
TOTAL	1,562,495	2,099,885	1,811,353	2,099,362	1,940,008	2,205,394	5.05	106,032	2,205,394	2,205,394

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL PRESENTATION

To the Members of the
Board of Selectmen
Town of Epping
Epping, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Epping as of and for the year ended December 31, 1996. These general-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general-purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general-purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The general-purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Town of Epping has not maintained historical cost records of its fixed assets. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed assets account group is not known.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement #18 requires that a liability be recognized in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group for the estimated current closure and postclosure care costs associated with the Town's unlined municipal solid waste landfill. This liability has not been recorded as the Town has not undertaken any study to have an estimate prepared. Therefore, the estimated amount of this liability is unknown.

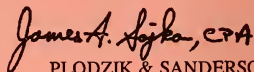
In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omissions described in the preceding paragraphs, the general-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Epping, as of December 31, 1996, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its proprietary fund types and nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Town of Epping
Independent Auditor's Report on Financial Presentation

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund and account group financial statements listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general-purpose financial statements of the Town of Epping. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general-purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated February 6, 1997 on our consideration of the Town of Epping's internal control structure and a report dated February 6, 1997 on its compliance with laws and regulations.

February 6, 1997

James A. Sijko, CPA

PLODZIK & SANDERSON
Professional Association

EXHIBIT A
TOWN OF EPPING, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Group
December 31, 1996

<u>ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS</u>	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>		
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>
<u>Assets</u>			
Cash and Equivalents	\$ 2,180,893	\$ 8,540	\$
Investments		11,688	
<u>Receivables (Net of</u>			
<u>Allowances For Uncollectibles)</u>			
Taxes	1,088,163		
Accounts	7,916		
Intergovernmental	7,390		
Interfund Receivable	721	63,364	31,958
Elderly Tax Liens	16,232		
Elderly Tax Liens Reserved Until Collected	(16,232)		
Prepaid Items	1,676		
Fixed Assets			
Accumulated Depreciation			
Tax Deeded Property Subject to Resale	1,762		
<u>Other Debits</u>			
Amount to be Provided for			
Retirement of General Long-Term Debt			
TOTAL ASSETS			
AND OTHER DEBITS	<u>\$ 3,288,521</u>	<u>\$ 83,592</u>	<u>\$ 31,958</u>

<u>Proprietary Fund Types</u>		<u>Fiduciary</u>	<u>Account Group</u>	
<u>Enterprise Funds</u>		<u>Fund Types</u>	<u>General</u>	
<u>Water</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	<u>Trust and</u>	<u>Long-Term</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Department</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Debt</u>	<u>(Memorandum Only)</u>
\$	\$	\$ 54,513	\$	\$ 2,243,946
		127,501		139,189
				1,088,163
59,740	52,018	130,546		250,220
				7,390
47,049	295,891			438,983
				162,232
				(162,232)
				1,676
235,241	2,046,607			2,281,848
(60,742)	(766,909)			(827,651)
				1,762
			<u>569,153</u>	<u>569,153</u>
<u>\$ 281,288</u>	<u>\$ 1,627,607</u>	<u>\$ 312,560</u>	<u>\$ 569,153</u>	<u>\$ 6,194,679</u>

EXHIBIT A (Continued)
TOWN OF EPPING, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Group
December 31, 1996

<u>LIABILITIES, EQUITY AND OTHER CREDITS</u>	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>		
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>			
Accounts Payable	\$ 45,431	\$	\$ 750
Accrued Payroll and Benefits	445		
Intergovernmental Payable	2,186,916		26,965
Interfund Payable	438,262	721	
Escrow and Performance Deposits			
Deferred Compensation Benefits Payable			
General Obligation Debt Payable			
Capital Leases Payable			
Compensated Absences Payable			
Total Liabilities	<u>2,671,054</u>	<u>721</u>	<u>27,715</u>
<u>Equity and Other Credits</u>			
Contributed Capital			
<u>Retained Earnings</u>			
Reserved			
Unreserved			
<u>Fund Balances</u>			
Reserved For Endowments			
Reserved For Encumbrances	73,300		
Reserved For Contingency	181,215		
Reserved For Special Purposes			4,243
<u>Unreserved</u>			
Designated For Special Purposes		82,871	
Undesignated	<u>362,952</u>		
Total Equity and Other Credits	<u>617,467</u>	<u>82,871</u>	<u>4,243</u>
 TOTAL LIABILITIES, EQUITY AND OTHER CREDITS	 <u>\$ 3,288,521</u>	 <u>\$ 83,592</u>	 <u>\$ 31,958</u>

<u>Proprietary Fund Types</u>		<u>Fiduciary</u>	<u>Account Group</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>(Memorandum Only)</u>
<u>Enterprise Funds</u>		<u>Fund Types</u>	<u>General</u>	
<u>Water</u> <u>Department</u>	<u>Sewer</u> <u>Department</u>	<u>Trust and</u> <u>Agency</u>	<u>Long-Term</u> <u>Debt</u>	
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
				46,181
		35,368		445
				2,249,249
		34,419		438,983
		130,546		34,419
			490,000	130,546
			74,327	490,000
			<u>4,826</u>	<u>74,327</u>
		<u>200,333</u>	<u>569,153</u>	<u>4,826</u>
				<u>3,468,976</u>
	1,410,976			1,410,976
16,900	56,945			73,845
264,388	159,686			424,074
		73,559		73,559
				73,300
				181,215
		38,668		42,911
				82,871
				<u>362,952</u>
<u>281,288</u>	<u>1,627,607</u>	<u>112,227</u>		<u>2,725,703</u>
<u>\$ 281,288</u>	<u>\$ 1,627,607</u>	<u>\$ 312,560</u>	<u>\$ 569,153</u>	<u>\$ 6,194,679</u>

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

MS-9	Report of the Trust Funds of the City or Town of EPPING, NEW HAMPSHIRE										INTEREST			December 31, 1996		
	DATE	NAME OF TRUST FUND	USE	HOW INVESTED	%	PRINCIPAL			Balance End Yr.	Balance Beg. Yr.	Inc. for Year	Amount for Yr.	Expended for Yr.	Balance End Yr.	P. & I. End Yr.	
						Balance Beg. Yr.	New Funds	Withdraw								
1898	Lovell J. Brock	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	246.18	0.47%	21.40		267.58	390.09		
1899	George W. Plumer	CPC	Com. Trust. #1	1.72%	857.59			857.59	169.90	2.58%	149.73	100.00	1739.83	2597.22		
1902	Eliah Gardner Jones	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	167.76	0.30%	12.92		180.70	303.21		
1903	Mary S. Burnham	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.12%	61.26			61.26	111.87	0.22%	10.00		121.87	183.13		
1904	Rufus H. Smith	TWP	Com. Trust. #1	5.41%	2703.71			2703.71	163.09	4.00%	156.27		319.36	3023.07		
1905	Hannah Durgin	RDT	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	364.92	0.46%	27.86		392.78	515.29		
1906	Lydia W. Leal	CCC	Com. Trust. #1	2.45%	1225.14			1225.14	1031.38	2.29%	95.63	115.00	1012.01	2237.15		
1908	Horace W. Langley	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	1.23%	612.57			612.57	1888.67	2.66%	157.68		2046.36	2659.92		
1908	Mary E. Burnham	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	318.04	0.47%	24.82		342.86	465.37		
1913	Wm. A. Cudworth	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.12%	61.26			61.26	112.99	0.22%	10.00		122.99	184.25		
1913	J. C. Bennett	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.18%	91.89			91.89	229.59	0.34%	15.81		245.40	337.29		
1914	Annie M. Pike	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.18%	91.89			91.89	230.50	0.34%	15.81		246.31	339.20		
1915	Walter Little	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.18%	91.89			91.89	229.59	0.34%	15.81		245.40	337.29		
1916	Celia Stevens	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	183.77	0.37%	10.62		147.89	192.14		
1917	Abbie T. Spaulding	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.37%	183.77			183.77	137.27	0.27%	8.76		167.63	214.83		
1918	Elizabeth A. Ederly	STC	Com. Trust. #1	0.12%	61.26			61.26	138.06	0.22%	7.08	60.60	86.22	147.48		
1918	Foggy Fund	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	328.09	0.48%	25.35		353.44	475.95		
1918	Harriet A. True	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	327.89	0.22%	10.00		147.99	209.25		
1919	Mary A. Jones	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.12%	61.26			61.26	44.44	0.09%	3.54		47.98	109.24		
1920	Albert L. Norris	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.12%	61.26			61.26	44.44	0.09%	3.54		47.98	109.24		
1920	James A. Corning	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	323.63	0.47%	25.20		348.83	471.34		
1920	Rebecca J. Foss	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	12.26%	6125.70			6125.70	589.40	9.05%	359.87	123.98	825.29	6950.99		
1922	Hosah B. Burnham	S&L	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	319.47	0.47%	24.89		344.36	466.87		
1923	Emma Clarage	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	319.47	0.47%	24.89		344.36	466.87		
1923	Sarah F. Wright	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	257.22	0.47%	21.47		278.69	401.20		
1923	Bessie A. Miles	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	249.68	0.36%	19.67		269.35	391.86		
1926	Carrie E. Norris	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	270.08	0.47%	21.63		291.71	414.22		
1926	Carrie E. Norris	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	284.78	0.47%	21.40		306.18	428.69		
1926	Fred H. Johnson	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	318.04	0.47%	24.82		342.86	465.37		
1926	Linda Tarbox	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.49%	245.02			245.02	786.49	1.07%	60.13		846.62	1091.64		
1926	Ala Robin	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	28.21%	14102.10			14102.10	1174.91	20.84%	815.08	613.27	1376.72	15478.82		
1926	Caleb & Mary French	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	318.06	0.47%	24.82		342.88	465.39		
1927	Isaiah Barlett	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	304.38	0.42%	7.08		306.16	414.38		
1928	John O. Ederly	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	716.28	1.00%	53.08		769.36	1014.38		
1929	James A. Johnson	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.49%	245.02			245.02	719.94	0.47%	24.97		769.36	1014.38		
1929	Jacob H. Titton	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	319.94	0.47%	24.97		344.91	467.42		
1929	Frank A. Miles	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.12%	61.26			61.26	127.88	0.22%	10.00		137.88	199.14		
1929	Levi Thompson	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	255.79	0.47%	21.40		277.19	399.70		
1930	Lizzie Rundlett	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	287.69	0.48%	22.08		289.77	412.28		
1932	Daniel Cate	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	317.45	0.47%	24.82		342.27	464.78		
1932	George Hopkinson	TWP	Com. Trust. #1	15.38%	7685.43			7685.43	574.85	11.36%	451.49		826.34	1026.34		
1933	Mary E. P. Sanborn	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.49%	245.02			245.02	776.64	1.07%	56.26		832.90	1077.92		
1934	Almon L. True	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	323.64	0.47%	25.20		348.84	471.35		
1936	Sarah P. Prescott	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.55%	275.65			275.65	248.79	0.41%	15.93	75.00	189.72	465.37		
1940	Alfred Tresk Blake	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.31%	153.14			153.14	121.53	0.23%	8.85	50.00	80.38	233.52		
1941	Hattie Chase	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	318.49	0.47%	24.89		343.38	465.39		
1943	George B. True	Fam	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	383.18	0.47%	21.63	100.00	284.81	407.32		
1943	Joseph A. Ederly	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.49%	245.02			245.02	628.28	0.81%	14.16	613.22	711.27	956.29		
1943	Marcus M. Taylor	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.49%	245.02			245.02	659.64	1.04%	15.63		356.90	478.41		
1943	Frank B. Blaisdell	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	331.33	0.48%	25.57		356.90	478.41		
1945	Matthew J. Harvey	CBL	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51			122.51	419.87	0.51%	30.36		450.23	572.74		

1946	Charles E. Gear	Com. Trust. #1	1.23%	612.57		612.57	2147.45	2.92%	156.66	2304.11	2916.68
1946	Milton J. Bly	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51		122.51	278.07	0.48%	22.16	300.23	422.74
1947	Cyrus Sanborn	Com. Trust. #1	0.49%	245.02		245.02	714.72	1.00%	53.08	767.80	1012.92
1950	Abbie M. Norris	Com. Trust. #1	0.49%	245.02		245.02	720.64	1.01%	53.38	774.02	1019.04
1951	IMAC Purington	Com. Trust. #1	0.49%	245.02		245.02	605.62	0.98%	48.75	694.37	899.39
1952	Elizabeth Beals	Com. Trust. #1	0.49%	245.02		245.02	753.03	1.04%	59.05	808.08	1053.10
1952	Myra E. S. Green	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51		122.51	100.17	0.18%	7.08	129.59	179.25
1952	George E. Beede	Com. Trust. #1	0.74%	367.54		367.54	1334.84	1.68%	91.87	1426.71	1794.25
1954	William Feldsard	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51		122.51	320.75	0.47%	25.04	345.79	468.30
1958	Frank Willard	Com. Trust. #1	0.74%	367.54		367.54	1133.73	1.56%	85.81	1219.54	1587.08
1960	Wiggin Fund	Fam	0.49%	245.02		245.02	196.64	0.36%	14.16	210.80	455.92
1960	Blanche R. Purington	Com. Trust. #1	0.74%	367.54		367.54	884.42	1.50%	69.49	953.91	1321.45
1968	John J. Tilton	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51		122.51	301.34	0.45%	20.72	322.06	444.57
1974	Georgia Chase	Fam	0.16%	81.93		81.93	212.82	0.29%	13.49	226.31	308.24
1976	John & Minnie Warren	Com. Trust. #1	0.95%	480.05		480.05	1050.99	1.59%	85.51	1136.50	1626.55
1976	Matthew Harvey	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51		122.51	302.81	0.40%	18.37	321.18	443.69
1982	Central Cemetery	CCC	8.55%	4288.10		4288.10	1976.18	7.38%	303.79	400.00	6168.07
1983	Miriam Jackson Park	MJP	4.45%	2225.25		2225.25	328.26	3.29%	130.75	342.25	2342.01
1983	Fred Johnson	Com. Trust. #1	0.25%	122.51		122.51	125.09	0.26%	11.33	136.42	258.93
1993	Bert J. Allen Cemetery	Fam		500.00		500.00	49.10		28.90	78.00	578.00
	COMMON TRUST #1 TOTALS			50484.09		50484.09	34145.28		4468.13	2949.48	86148.02
	OTHER GENERAL TRUST FUNDS:								**4368.80		
1988	Ladd Family Fund	Fam		800.00		800.00	303.43		62.45	365.88	1165.88
1989	Hist.Soc. C.F. #1	CAC		3000.00		3000.00	831.23		171.15	330.00	3672.38
1990	Hist.Soc. C. F. #2	CAC		1500.00		1500.00	343.19		89.29	270.00	1662.48
1991	Hist.Soc. C. F. #3	CAC		1700.00		1700.00	363.46		118.01	481.47	2181.47
1992	Hist.Soc. C. F. #4	CAC		1600.00		1600.00	222.36		111.06	250.00	83.42
1995	West Epilog Com.	CWIC		500.00	690.00	1190.00			41.46	1231.46	
1989	Karen Bickford Mem.	SCH		13285.00		13285.00	856.24		918.39	600.00	14459.63
	CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS										
1991	School Dist. CRF	Bus		30000.00		30000.00	3433.64		1934.67	5368.31	35368.31
	SubTotal Other & Cap. Res.			52385.00	690.00	53075.00	6353.55		3446.48	1450.00	61425.03
	GRAND TOTALS			102869.09	690.00	103559.09	40498.83		7914.61	4395.48	147573.05
				** Adjusted amount reflects \$99.33 reduction per 1995 auditor footnote							

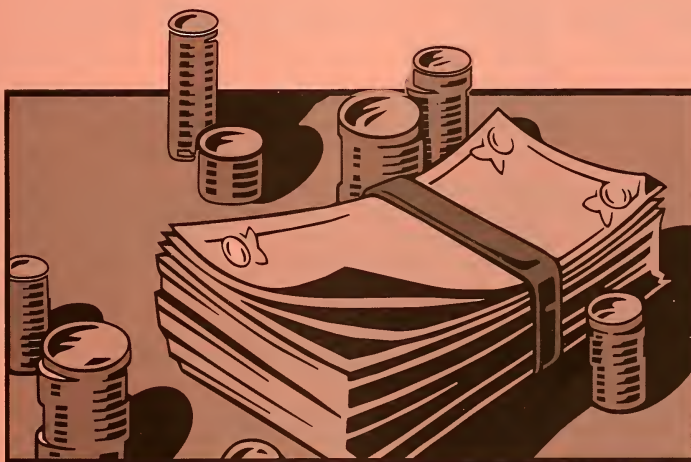
MS-10	Report of the Common Trust Fund Investments of the City or Town of EPPING, N.H.										December 31, 1996	
No. Units	HOW INVESTED Description	PRINCIPAL			INCOME			EXPANDED			GRAND TOTAL P. & I. End of Year	
		Balance Beg. Year	Purchases	Proceeds of Sales	Gain from Sales	Balance End Year	Income This Year	Balance Beg. Year	This Year	End Year		
	Common Trust #1:	50484.10	10542.87	10542.87		50484.10	4468.13	34144.29	3099.48	35512.94	85997.04	
	PRINCIPAL											
	FB CD 803667611	20499.63				20499.63	1007.95	1418.07	2426.02	0.00	20499.63	
	FB CD 8039281205	0.00	4500.00			4500.00	0.00	0.00	80.42	0.00	4500.00	
	SB CD 724-8-58433-2	4500.00		4500.00			378.18	378.18	0.00	0.00		
	1st Sav CD 02-42-000110	11710.77				11710.77	0.00	0.00	730.31	0.00	11710.77	
	NBD CD 062934-484	6042.87		6042.87			0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
	FB CD 8038831242	0.00	6042.87			6042.87	295.24	295.24	0.00	0.00	6042.87	
	1st S & L CD 02-42-000055	7730.83				7730.83	317.82	435.34	753.16	0.00	7730.83	
	TOTALS, Principal	50484.10	10542.87	10542.87	0.00	50484.10	2809.92	1853.41	4663.33	0.00	50484.10	
	ALL INCOME											
	SB CD 724-8-58433-2	832.44		832.44		0.00	69.96	0.00	69.96	0.00	0.00	
	1st S & L CD 02-42-000055	5896.46				5896.46	332.03	332.03	574.43	0.00	5896.46	
	1st Sav. CD 02-50-000106	16830.06				16830.06	592.19	1158.90	1751.09	0.00	16830.06	
	TOTALS, All Income	23558.96	0.00	832.44	0.00	22726.52	924.22	924.22	2395.48	0.00	22726.52	
	Undistributed Income					0.00						
	Cash or Equiv.					12786.42						
	TOTAL INCOME					35512.94						
	TOTAL Invested	74043.06	10542.87	11375.31	0.00	73210.62	2777.63	2777.63	7058.81	0.00	73210.62	
									Including invested plus cash		85997.04	

Statement of Bonded Debt

DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE	ORIGINAL AMOUNT	ISSUE DATE	MATURITY DATE	INTEREST RATE %	OUTSTANDING AT 12/31/97
General Long-Term Debt Account Group					
General Obligation Debt Payable					
Capital Improvements Bond	\$325,000	1989	1999	6.75-6.8	\$90,000
Water Tower	140,000	1993	1996	5.75	0
Town Road Construction/Reconstruction	500,000	1995	2000	5.9	400,000
Annual Payment Schedule					
1997	\$130,000				\$160,048
1998	130,000				152,026
1999	130,000				144,004
2000	100,000				105,998
2001	0				0
Totals	\$490,000				\$562,076



SCHOOL Warrants & Budgets



FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1996

SCHOOL WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Epping, New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Epping Gymnasium in said District on the thirteenth day of March, 1997, at seven o'clock in the evening, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To hear reports of agents, auditors, and committees or officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.
2. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to improve the air ventilation and heating system in the Epping Middle/High School in order to meet the New England Association of Schools and Colleges accreditation standards.

(Recommended by the Epping School Board)
(Recommended by the Epping Budget Committee)

3. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred ninety six thousand dollars (\$196,000) to reduce the general fund deficit pursuant to RSA 189:28-a and to cover unanticipated special education and support services costs for the 1996-97 school fiscal year.

(Recommended by the Epping School Board)
(Recommended by the Epping Budget Committee)

4. By Petition: Barbara Sisson, Donald A. Sisson, Virginia C. Heath, plus 26 others.

Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Epping School District ?

Warrant Article #4 will be voted by ballot on March 11, 1997.
(Not Recommended by the Epping School Board)

5. By Petition: Bruce Hauschel, Paul Spidle, Barbara Sisson, plus 25 others.

To see if the voters of the Epping School District will approve the transfer of the funds represented in account number 1200 (Special Education) and account number 2550-513-8 (Special Transportation) to a separate warrant article totaling \$1,327,256.00 The purpose of the article is to more closely monitor special education spending.

(Not Recommended by the Epping School Board)
(Not Recommended by the Epping Budget Committee)

6. To see what sum of money the District will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District.

1100 Regular Programs	\$2,295,304
1200 Special Programs	1,236,679
1300 Vocational Programs	40,425
1400 Other Instructional Programs	83,544
2120 Guidance	131,990
2130 Health	31,678
2150 Speech	93,436
2210 Improvement of Instruction	38,257
2220 Educational Media	165,636
2310 School Board	42,125
2320 SAU Expense	184,591
2400 School Administration	336,913
2540 Operation of Plant	344,357
2550 Pupil Transportation	232,266
2900 Support Benefits	123,669
4000 Facilities	20,000
5000 Debt Service	0
2560 Food Service	232,852

TOTAL APPROPRIATION \$5,633,722

(Recommended by the Epping School Board)
(Recommended by the Epping Budget Committee)

7. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Note: The above warrant is unofficial. The official warrant with changes, if any, will be posted at least fourteen days before the date of the meeting.

EPPING SCHOOL BOARD

Ronald Altman
Diane Byrne
Herbert Hughes

Jennifer Yergeau
Tom Carleton

**SCHOOL WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Epping, New Hampshire, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said District on the eleventh day of March, 1997, at eight o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects: (The polls may not close before seven o'clock in the evening.)

1. To choose one School Board Member for the ensuing three years.
2. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

NOTE: The above warrant is unofficial. The official warrant with changes, if any, will be posted at least fourteen days before the date of the meeting.

EPPING SCHOOL BOARD

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BUDGET FORM FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED
THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 24

BUDGET OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

OF Epping N.H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for Fiscal Year From

July 1, 1997 to June 30, 1998

IMPORTANT: Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list **ALL APPROPRIATIONS** in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the school district clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address above.

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE SCHOOL WARRANT

Budget Committee: (Please sign in ink.)

Date

2/12/97

James W. Kneafsey
James B. Holmes
Clifford J. Smith
Harold H. Jr.
Donald G. Linn

Dennis H. Gagnon

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Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31-4)	Warr. Art. #	Expenditures For Year 7/1 95 To 6/30 96	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DIA	SCHOOL BOARD'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR	
					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
INSTRUCTION (1000-1999)								
1100-1199 Regular Programs			2,137,518	2,248,466	2,295,304	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
1200-1299 Special Programs			988,096	909,767	1,236,679	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	2,295,304
1300-1399 Vocational Programs			30,906	37,950	40,425	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	1,236,679
1400-1499 Other Instructional Programs			58,242	80,988	83,544	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	40,425
1600-1699 Adult/Continuing Education								83,544
SUPPORT SERVICES (2100-2999)								
Pupil Services			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2110-2119 Attendance & Social Work			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2120-2129 Guidance			121,995	125,917	131,990			131,990
2130-2139 Health			26,368	28,724	31,678			31,678
2140-2149 Psychological								
2150-2159 Speech Pathology & Audiology			94,146	83,866	93,436			93,436
2190-2199 Other Pupil Services								
Instructional Staff Services			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2210-2219 Improvement of Instruction			41,533	40,391	38,257			38,257
2220-2229 Educational Media			115,578	165,956	165,636			165,636
2290-2299 Other Instructional Staff Services								
General Administration			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2310 School Board			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2310 870 Contingency								
2310-2319 All Other Objects			55,235	40,263	42,125			42,125

Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (MSA 31-4)	Var. Amt. #	Expenditures For Year to 6/30/95 to 6/30/96	Appropriations Prior Year Approved by DBA	SCHOOL BOARD'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR	
					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	Office of Superintendent		XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
2320 351	SAU Management Services		179,298	182,106	184,591		184,591	
2320-2329	ALL Other Objects							
2330-2339	Special Area Administration Services							
2390-2399	Other General Administration Services							
2400-2499	School Administrative Services		298,390	321,592	336,913		336,913	
Business Services			XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
2520-2529	Fiscal							
2540-2549	Operation & Maintenance of Plant		359,711	309,732	344,357		344,357	
2550-2559	Pupil Transportation		251,011	214,578	232,266		232,266	
2570-2579	Procurement							
2590-2599	Other Business Services							
2600-2699	Managerial Services							
2900-2999	Other Support Services		63,562	97,512	123,669		123,669	
3000-3999	COMMUNITY SERVICES							
4000-4999	FACILITIES ACQUISITIONS & CONSTRUCTION							
5000	OTHER OUTLAYS		XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
5100 830	debt Service - Principal		325,000	85,000				
5100 840	debt Service - Interest		27,368	3,293				
Fund Transfers								

Acct. No.	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenue Current Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE For Ensuing Fiscal Year
REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3110	Foundation Aid		585,342	463,877	453,868
3210	School Building Aid		94,500	25,500	
3220	Area Vocational School		8,209	8,092	8,209
3230	Driver Education		6,450	6,900	7,000
3240	Catastrophic Aid		51,767	33,202	150,000
3250	Adult Education				
3270	Child Nutrition		2,890	3,149	3,179
	Kindergarten Aid				
	Other State Aid (Specify)		17,768		
	Oil Clean-up				
REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4410	ECIA, Chapter I & II				
4430	Vocational Education				
4450	Adult Education				
4460	Child Nutrition Programs		76,898	80,755	84,588
4470	Handicapped Programs				
	Federal Forest Land				
	Other Federal Sources (identify)		1	20,000	20,000
	Medicaid				
LOCAL REVENUE OTHER THAN TAXES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5100	Sale of Bonds or Notes				
5230	Transfer from Capital Projects Fund				
5250	Transfer from Capital Reserve Fund				
5255	Transfer from Expendable Trust Fund				
1300-1360	Tuition		63,425	86,000	64,000
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments		3,173	3,500	3,500
1700-1799	Public Activities Rent/Driver Ed		24,874	23,829	30,902
	Other Local Sources (identify) (1900-1999)				
1900	Sale from Food Services		58,036	61,262	63,840
	Food Ala Carte		54,049	56,202	59,454
	Dividends/Foster		26,316		15,000

Acct. No.	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenue Current Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE For Ensuing Fiscal Year
THIS SECTION FOR CALCULATION OF REIMBURSEMENT ANTICIPATION NOTES (RAN) PER RSA 198:20-D FOR CATASTROPHIC AID BORROWING					
	RAN, Revenue This FY _____ Less				
	RAN, Revenue Last FY _____ =				
	NET RAN _____				
	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)				
	Appropriations Voted From "Surplus"		XXXXXXXXXX		
	"Surplus" Used in Prior Year to Reduce Taxes		XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX
	TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS		1,073,698	872,268	963,540

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE - MBA
(RSA 32:18, 19, & 32:21)

VERSION #1
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LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT: Epping FISCAL YEAR ENDING: 1998

	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT
1. Total RECOMMENDED by Budget Comm.	5,839,722
LESS EXCLUSIONS:	
2. Principle: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	0
3. Interest: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	0
4. Capital Outlays Funded From Long-Term Bonds & Notes per RSA 33:8 & 33:7-b.	0
5. Mandatory Assessments	0
6. TOTAL EXCLUSIONS (Sum of rows 2 - 5)	0
7. AMOUNT RECOMMENDED LESS RECOMMENDED EXCLUSION AMOUNTS (Line 1 less line 6)	5,839,722
8. Line 7 times 10%	583,972

THIS IS THE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE INCREASE OTHER THAN COLLECTIVE BARGAINING ITEMS

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL PRESENTATION

To the Members of the School Board
Epping School District
Epping, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the Epping School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 1996. These general-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the School District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general-purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general-purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The general-purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Epping School District has not maintained historical cost records of its fixed assets. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed assets account group is not known.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Epping School District, as of June 30, 1996, for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general-purpose financial statements of the Epping School District. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general-purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

*Epping School District
Independent Auditor's Report on Financial Presentation*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated October 4, 1996 on our consideration of the Epping School District's internal control structure and a report dated October 4, 1996 on its compliance with laws and regulations.

October 4, 1996

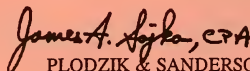

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EXHIBIT A
EPPING SCHOOL DISTRICT
Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Group
June 30, 1996

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>		<u>Fiduciary Fund Type</u>	<u>Account Group</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue (Food Service)</u>	<u>Trust and Agency</u>	<u>General Long-Term Debt</u>	<u>(Memorandum Only)</u>
<u>ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS</u>					
<u>Assets</u>					
Cash and Equivalents	\$	\$ 21,583	\$ 37,759	\$	\$ 59,342
<u>Receivables</u>					
Accounts	18,690		196		18,886
Intergovernmental	29,127	15,928	34,421		79,476
Interfund Receivable	46,613				46,613
<u>Other Debits</u>					
Amount to be provided for retirement of general long-term debt				138,524	138,524
TOTAL ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS	\$ 94,430	\$ 37,511	\$ 72,376	\$ 138,524	\$ 342,841
 <u>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</u>					
<u>Liabilities</u>					
Cash Overdraft	\$ 140,450	\$	\$	\$	\$ 140,450
Accounts Payable	15,825	6,949			22,774
Accrued Payroll and Benefits	4,153				4,153
Interfund Payable		46,613			46,613
Due to Student Groups			37,955		37,955
General Obligation Debt Payable				85,000	85,000
Compensated Absences Payable				53,524	53,524
Total Liabilities	160,428	53,562	37,955	138,524	390,469
 <u>Equity</u>					
<u>Fund Balance</u>					
Reserved for Special Purposes			34,421		34,421
<u>Unreserved</u>					
Undesignated	(65,998)	(16,051)			(82,049)
Total Equity	(65,998)	(16,051)	34,421		(47,628)
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$ 94,430	\$ 37,511	\$ 72,376	\$ 138,524	\$ 342,841

*SCHEDULE A-1
EPPING SCHOOL DISTRICT
General Fund
Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenues
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1996*

<u>REVENUES</u>	<u>Estimated</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Over (Under) Budget</u>
<u>School District Assessment</u>	<u>\$ 4,262,810</u>	<u>\$ 4,262,810</u>	<u>\$ _____</u>
<u>Tuition</u>			
Regular Day School	73,000	63,425	(9,575)
Driver Education	<u>4,140</u>	<u>4,300</u>	<u>160</u>
Total Tuition	<u>77,140</u>	<u>67,725</u>	<u>(9,415)</u>
<u>Other Local Revenue</u>			
Earnings on Investments	3,500	3,174	(326)
Insurance Dividends		26,316	
Rentals	11,145	20,574	9,429
Trust Fund Income	<u>200</u>	<u></u>	<u>(200)</u>
Total Other Local Revenue	<u>14,845</u>	<u>50,064</u>	<u>35,219</u>
<u>State Sources</u>			
Foundation Aid	585,342	585,342	
School Building Aid	94,500	94,500	
Catastrophic Aid	53,535	51,767	(1,768)
<u>Vocational School Aid</u>			
Transportation	5,000	8,209	3,209
Driver Education	6,900	6,450	(450)
<u>Other</u>			
Oil Fund Reimbursement (DES #940612)	<u></u>	<u>17,768</u>	<u>17,768</u>
Total State Sources	<u>745,277</u>	<u>764,036</u>	<u>18,759</u>
<u>Federal Sources</u>			
Other	<u></u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>Total Revenues</u>	<u>\$ 5,100,072</u>	<u>\$ 5,144,636</u>	<u>\$ 44,564</u>

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

*SCHEDULE A-2
EPPING SCHOOL DISTRICT
General Fund
Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1996*

	Appropriations <u>1995-96</u>	Expenditures Net of <u>Refunds</u>	(Over) Under <u>Budget</u>
<u>Current</u>			
<u>Instruction</u>			
Regular Programs	\$ 2,138,755	\$ 2,137,517	\$ 1,238
Special Programs	917,974	988,096	(70,122)
Vocational Programs	34,605	30,906	3,699
Other Instructional Programs	<u>69,073</u>	<u>58,244</u>	<u>10,829</u>
Total Instruction	<u>3,160,407</u>	<u>3,214,763</u>	<u>(54,356)</u>
<u>Supporting Services</u>			
<u>Pupils</u>			
Guidance	120,371	121,995	(1,624)
Health	28,372	26,368	2,004
Speech Pathology and Audiology	<u>88,781</u>	<u>94,146</u>	<u>(5,365)</u>
	<u>237,524</u>	<u>242,509</u>	<u>(4,985)</u>
<u>Instructional Staff Services</u>			
Improvement of Instruction	34,900	41,533	(6,633)
Educational Media	<u>120,791</u>	<u>115,577</u>	<u>5,214</u>
	<u>155,691</u>	<u>157,110</u>	<u>(1,419)</u>
<u>General Administration</u>			
School Board	49,494	55,235	(5,741)
Office of the Superintendent	<u>179,298</u>	<u>179,298</u>	<u> </u>
	<u>228,792</u>	<u>234,533</u>	<u>(5,741)</u>
<u>School Administration</u>	<u>291,962</u>	<u>298,390</u>	<u>(6,428)</u>
<u>Business</u>			
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	332,148	359,711	(27,563)
Pupil Transportation	<u>242,880</u>	<u>251,011</u>	<u>(8,131)</u>
	<u>575,028</u>	<u>610,722</u>	<u>(35,694)</u>
<u>Other Supporting Services</u>	<u>98,300</u>	<u>63,562</u>	<u>34,738</u>
Total Supporting Services	<u>1,587,297</u>	<u>1,606,826</u>	<u>(19,529)</u>
<u>Debt Service</u>			
Principal of Long-Term Debt	325,000	325,000	<u> </u>
Interest Expense - Long-Term Debt	<u>27,368</u>	<u>27,368</u>	<u> </u>
Total Debt Service	<u>352,368</u>	<u>352,368</u>	<u> </u>
Total Appropriations and Expenditures	<u>\$ 5,100,072</u>	<u>\$ 5,173,957</u>	<u>\$ (73,885)</u>

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

SCHEDULE A-3
EPPING SCHOOL DISTRICT
General Fund
Statement of Changes in Unreserved - Undesignated Fund Balance
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1996

<u>Unreserved - Undesignated</u>		
<u>Fund Balance (Deficit) - July 1</u>		\$ (36,677)
<u>Additions</u>		
<u>1995-96 Budget Summary</u>		
Revenue Surplus (Schedule A-1)	\$ 44,564	
(Overdraft) of Appropriations (Schedule A-2)	<u>(73,885)</u>	
1995-96 Budget (Deficit)		<u>(29,321)</u>
<u>Unreserved - Undesignated</u>		
<u>Fund Balance (Deficit) - June 30</u>		<u>\$ (65,998)</u>

SCHEDULE C-1
EPPING SCHOOL DISTRICT
Trust and Agency Funds
Combining Balance Sheet
June 30, 1996

	<u>Expendable</u> <u>Trust</u> Capital <u>Reserve</u>	<u>Agency</u> Student <u>Activities</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash and Equivalents	\$	\$ 37,759	\$ 37,759
<u>Receivables</u>			
Accounts		196	196
Intergovernmental	<u>34,421</u>	<u> </u>	<u>34,421</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 34,421</u>	<u>\$ 37,955</u>	<u>\$ 72,376</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</u>			
<u>Liabilities</u>			
Due to Student Groups	\$	\$ 37,955	\$ 37,955
<u>Equity</u>			
<u>Fund Balance</u>			
Reserved for Special Purposes	<u>34,421</u>	<u> </u>	<u>34,421</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	<u>\$ 34,421</u>	<u>\$ 37,955</u>	<u>\$ 72,376</u>

SCHEDULE B-1
EPPING SCHOOL DISTRICT
Special Revenue Fund - Food Service Fund
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1996

Revenues

Intergovernmental

Federal Lunch Reimbursement	\$ 54,767
Federal Breakfast Reimbursement	22,131
State Reimbursement	2,890
USDA Commodities	10,397

Charges for Services

Lunch and Milk Sales	58,077
A la Carte Sales	54,049

Miscellaneous

Interest Income	478
Other	<u>152</u>

Total Revenues

\$ 202,941

Expenditures

Current

Business

Food Purchases	\$ 134,318
Labor and Benefits	82,895
Expendable Supplies	6,122
Utilities and Custodial	2,500
Equipment	7,164
Other	<u>567</u>

Total Expenditures

233,566

(Deficiency) of Revenues

(Under) Expenditures

\$ (30,625)

Fund Balance - July 1

14,574

Fund Balance (Deficit) - June 30

\$ (16,051)

Recreation Department Report

The year 1996 has been a successful one for the Recreation Department. Deborah Malin has completed an entire year with the Recreation Department as year round Director and has successfully introduced six more adult aerobics and fitness classes per week, which gives a total of eight classes to choose from. In addition, six preschool classes for children twelve months to age five were offered, as well as two school age classes that teach movement, basic gymnastic and motor skills. Other programs that were offered were Line Dancing, Shaolin Kempo, birthday parties, and ski trips.

For February and April school vacation weeks, the Recreation Dept. offered a week long camp for ages six through twelve years which will be offered again for '97. The Summer Recreation program was very successful with 109 children total for six weeks. The Annual 5 K Roll & Run Fun Run was held Oct. 5 with a great turnout. Thank you to all the volunteers. The date is set for Oct. 4, 1997.

New for '96 was the introduction to The Adult Enrichment Program that offered residents Intro to P.C. computing, Chocolate Making Workshop, Woodworking, and a Holiday Bow Making Workshop. All classes were held at The Epping High School.

Epping Recreation for the second year sponsored the track team for residents nine through fourteen years of age. The team participated in the annual N.H. Hershey Track and Field State Finals, held at Rochester's Spaulding High School on July 18th, 1996. Our team was represented by Amy Rodier, Kendra Martin, Laurel Gaudet, Chris Murphy, Ben Koutelis, Andrew Sawyer and Morgan Byrne. Our standouts were: Kendra Martin,

placing first in the softball throw for girls thirteen and fourteen, and Chris Murphy, placing seventh in the long jump for boys eleven and twelve years old. All our athletes made very respectable showings in their divisions. We were most impressed with the strong support each team member held for one another. Special thank you to Susan Simmons for an excellent job of coaching and to Diane Byrne and all volunteers for helping to make the day successful and enjoyable. Looking forward to '97.

For 1997 we will repeat all of our successful programs, such as Aerobic and Fitness classes and the Summer Recreation program that will run for 8 weeks instead of six. We will continue to offer the residents the Adult Enrichment Program that will offer Home Budgeting, Art classes, C.P.R., Computer Basics, and workshops such as Arts & Crafts, Cake Decorating, etc. We will be adding three more

preschool and school age classes. Starting Feb. 1, 1997 we will be offering an After School Program, Monday - Friday for ages six through twelve. Along with many teen outings scheduled for Friday nights, we will also offer trips to Foxwoods, White Mountains, and ski trips.

In closing we would like to thank everyone who helped make 1996 a very successful year. We would like to extend a special thank you to the School Board for the use of the Central School on Main St. and the High School. Without it we would not be able to offer our programs. We look forward to an exciting new year and hope to see many of you participate in our programs. We would also like to hear from you if you have any suggestions on programs you would like to see offered. Please feel free to contact Deb Malin at 679-1341. ■

—The Recreation Department

Santa Claus on his grand tour through Epping atop the Fire Truck.



Rural Development Council Report

The Rural Development Council is a private - public partnership council chaired by Jeffrey Taylor, the Director of the Office of State Planning. Epping was the location of one of their Steering Committee Meetings as well as being selected as part of their Community Visitation program. This visit was a day long interview with as many towns people as possible ending with a dinner attended by the Board of Selectmen. A summary of their report follows. The full report is available at the Town Hall.

Community Visit

1.1 Background Information

The New Hampshire Rural Development Council is an operating network of communities, public and private sector resource providers and policy makers that help rural people identify and accomplish internally-generated strategies. A four point framework for creating the operating network is based in practice, reflection, and action. The four point framework entails:

- Defining an entry point for council members and resource providers to work with a community;
- Practicing civic skills such as: listening, sharing contacts, and decision making authority in the context of a collaborative project;
- Monitoring the experience, extracting and communicating the learnings, and sharing the outcomes through the Council network; and
- Fostering institutional changes to remove barriers to collaborative relationships and locally generated strategies.

The entry point for the Rural Development Council is the Community Visit. The Community

Visit focuses on listening, issue raising and brainstorming. The Community Visit brings together a diverse mix of council members, community people, and resource providers. The Community Visit helps identify the opportunities for the Council and the Community to work together on community driven strategies.

1.2 Epping Community Visit

The Epping Town Administrator and the Board of Selectmen asked the Rural Development Council to conduct a Community Visit. The Community Visit was carried out on Thursday, June 13, 1996. Throughout the day, members of the Rural Development Council met with Epping Community Leaders and Citizens. The schedule can be found in Appendix A.

A healthy discussion and a lot of listening by Council members occurred within each sub-group meeting. A detailed account and report of the entire visit can be obtained from Mr. David Barker, Town Administrator. The topics and issues covered during the Community Visit are organized into three primary areas: Economic Development, Stewardship, and Civic Capacity. The final section of the report, outlined below, offers three specific potential action steps from the Community Visit Team. The purpose of the report is not to be critical of the current status of the community, however it is meant to identify areas for joint exploration between the community and the Rural Development Council.

While the Council and the Community Leaders attempt to attract a wide cross section of participants in the Community Visit, it is not always possible to have all of the views and perspectives present. In this

case, the report can be utilized as a tool to broaden the discussion about community issues raised with those individuals or groups who were unable to participate.

Action Steps

Given the depth and breadth of information shared with the visit team while in Epping, the report reflects numerous potential action steps. This section attempts to focus attention on three action steps to work on. Each action step, once addressed, can help put the remainder of issues reflected in this report in a reasonable and sound sequence to be tackled.

3.1 The Community's Image
Putting and keeping Epping's municipal functions in order is of crucial importance to developing and expanding the economic base. Steps that could be taken to move in this direction are as follows:

- Establish on-going communication between the Town Administrator and the planning board, zoning board, budget committee, Board of Selectmen and the staff. Each group should understand and be familiar with the current focus, goals, and the ongoing work of the others and how it relates respectively. This could be achieved through joint meeting where each group gives a report on their organizations and/or departments current projects, successes, and impediments.
- Develop and reinforce a **user friendly Town Hall**. Get the word out that Epping is efficient and professional.
- Bring an existing business that is undergoing expansion through a similar successful permitting process as Burger King.

3.2 *Develop an Internal Business Group*

A lot of energy and enthusiasm was expressed in the business, banking, and real estate sessions. An immediate step that could be taken is to have the Exeter Chamber in conjunction with the business people involved in the Community Visit convene a business group meeting. A potential agenda item may be to invite the Newmarket Business Association to come and share their experience in developing the association, the "how-tos" and what the goals and objectives of the association are, with the business people, realtors, and bankers in Epping.

An initial project that was under discussion with some of the business people was to develop a new sign for the Town of Epping. Other community and business issues could be discussed and addressed within the context of a formal business group that had the support and participation of the Town officials.

3.3 *Community Involvement to Define what Epping could look like in the Future*

There appeared to be various diverse perspectives on how Epping should move forward, yet no avenue to capture the diverse perspectives in a positive way to shape the future direction of Epping.

• The Community Profile is conducted by UNH Cooperative Extension could be a tool the Town might utilize to foster a diverse dialogue on where the citizens of Epping feel the Town should go. The Route 125 and Route 101 impacts could be one of several topics that may attract people to participate in the community profile.

Additional information on the Community Profile can be obtained from the UNH Cooperative Extension Office (Rockingham County). ■

—Rural Development Council

Lamprey Regional Cooperative Report

In 1996, we experienced many changes to the Lamprey Regional Cooperative.

The Lamprey Regional Cooperative completed the interior demolition of the building in Durham. The building has been cleaned and certified by the Department of Environmental Services. The Landfill located in Somersworth was completely capped on November 15, 1996. We are now awaiting certification from the State.

One significant issue that is still remaining concerns the disposition of the old incinerator building at UNH. This could have a financial impact on our member communities.

We have made some progress toward our goal of a Regional Transfer and Recycling Facility in the communities that have decided to remain in the Lamprey Regional Cooperative into the future. We have experienced a delay in our Project due to the demise of our administrator, Patrick

Genest. However, we seem to be back on track as the year ended.

At this time, I would like to thank all of the communities for their cooperation with the closure of our Waste-

to-Energy plant in Durham and the Landfill in Somersworth. ■

—Joseph Moriarty
Chairman of Board
Lamprey Regional Cooperative

Epping, October, 1996. Photo Courtesy of Robert Kimball



General Government

Fire Department Report

The Epping Fire Department has 48 volunteer firefighters and ambulance attendants on our roster. This includes 3 Volunteer Emergency Medical technicians-Paramedics (3 members are completing Paramedic Schools), 6 Emergency Medical Technician-

Intermediate, 13 Emergency Medical Tech.-Basic, and 8 First Responders. The weekday shift is covered by Firefighter/Paramedic Henry "Hank" Letourneau and Firefighter/EMT Intermediate Kevin Zukas. Hank and Kevin have spent time teaching fire safety, first aid, and

CPR to the students and faculty at the Epping Schools.

December 11, 1995 was the date that the Malden Mills complex in Methuen, Massachusetts burned. Epping was one of the 51 cities and towns that answered the call for mutual aid. Our assignment was station coverage in Danville, New Hampshire, as their fire equipment was moved closer to Methuen. Methuen fire department had planned a 150th Anniversary Parade and Hand Engine Muster for June 15, 1996. They invited all Fire Departments that had been involved with the Malden Mills fire to participate. The Epping Fire Department marching unit, with the help of the Raymond Fire Explorer Post pulling the Epping Hand Engine, participated in the parade and the muster. We were awarded a second place in the parade and the explorers took a fourth place award for pumping the hand engine.

During 1996 the Epping Firefighters Association has held several fund raisers including the Fireman's Ball, Car washes, and a Raffle to earn money to defray the cost of a new ambulance. We also have "heart" (Help Epping Ambulance Rescue Team) T-shirts for sale. To purchase one please call Karen at 679-5446. We have presented a lease purchase plan for the new ambulance to the Selectmen and the Budget Committee.

In 1996 the Fire Department asked for \$60,000 to purchase a used ladder truck. We are purchasing the truck from the City of Manchester, NH. Their new truck was delayed for several months because of manufacturing problems. Our truck was delivered to Conway Associates in

Epping Auto Salvage Fire, December, 1995. Photo Courtesy of Epping Fire Department



Haverhill Mass. at the end of December. They will have the ladder inspected and certified, letter the truck and deliver it to us in January.

The Selectmen have put an article in the 1997 town warrant to purchase a parcel of land and a garage on Pleasant Street. The Fire Department has looked at this property for several years as an excellent location for a fire station or public safety complex. The property is now available. Please support the purchase of this property.

Forest Fire Warden Donald King submitted his resignation in May. We thank him for the many years of service to the community in this position. Don is a Lieutenant on the Fire Department.

The Fire Wards submitted Bruce Chapman's name to the Selectmen as the new Forest Fire Warden. The Selectmen have made the recommendation to the State Division of Forest and Lands.

The Epping Fire Department would like to thank the residents of Epping for the support you have shown this Department. Please remember to **Dial 911 for Emergency Fire, Ambulance, and Police.**

To request fire permits or other non-emergency fire department information dial 679-5446.

Permits are required for all outside fires, for the use of kerosene heaters and before installing an oil furnace. Please remember to change your

Smoke and Carbon Monoxide detector batteries. Wood stove owners, please have your chimneys inspected and cleaned frequently.

During 1996 the Epping Fire Department answered:

414 Ambulance calls
226 Fire calls
640 total calls.

—Richard Marcotte
Chief, Epping Fire Department

H. Clifton Cray
John Bertogli
Bruce Chapman
Fire Wards

EYAA Volunteer of the Year

Our Epping Youth Athletic Association Volunteer of the Year for 1995-96 was Robert "Bobby" Wyman. Anyone who is involved in our youth programs certainly recognizes Bobby as a valuable asset to our organization.

Over the past few years, Bobby has been involved in all of our youth sports programs. He has been a coach and an umpire in our baseball program, as well as a coach and a referee in our soccer program. Bobby has helped line fields and is willing to do whatever was needed in baseball and soccer. He has coached an in-house and traveling basketball team and presently he is our 1996-97 Basketball Director.

We within the EYAA Organization are proud to have such a valuable, caring individual involved with our



children. Thank you Bobby, for many jobs well done. ■



General Government

Zoning Board of Adjustment Report

In 1996, the ZBA held fourteen (14) requests for Variances, and four (4) Special Exceptions, all of which were granted. There was one application for an appeal from an Administrative Decision, which was denied.

Many people are not aware that New Hampshire law strictly controls the actions of ZBA Boards in the state. By law a ZBA can only grant three kinds of requests: an appeal of a previous administrative decision regarding the meaning of the Town Ordinance; a request for a Special Exception (if it meets all the specific conditions of the Town Ordinance), and request for a Variance from the literal wording of the ordinance-IF it meets five tests spelled out in state law.

For example, Epping's Zoning Ordinance states that certain uses are permitted by Special Exception in the Aquifer Protection District, provided they will not pollute the aquifer, significantly reduce the volume of water which it contains, or discharge hazardous materials on site. It is the ZBA's responsibility to decide whether or not a request meets these conditions. If the ZBA finds all the conditions have been met, it must grant the request; if it finds even one condition is not met, under the law it cannot grant it.

If a variance is requested, by State law, The ZBA can grant in **ONLY** if all five criteria are met:

- Value of surrounding properties would not be reduced.
- Granting the appeal would be in the public interest.
- Denying the appeal would effectively prevent the owner from mak-

ing any reasonable use of the land.

- By granting the appeal substantial justice would be done.
- The use must not be contrary to the "spirit and intent" of the zoning ordinance. The courts have ruled "when an ordinance contains a restriction against a particular use of the land, The ZBA would violate the spirit and intent by permitting that use."

The principle underlying these laws is **only the voters have the power to change their zoning ordinance**. No ZBA has this power.

In October, newly appointed Alternate Mary Lou Nowe attended three law lectures for Zoning Boards sponsored by the New Hampshire Municipal Association.

Alternate Ed Ingraham, who was appointed in 1994, resigned in May of 1996 for personal reasons.

In May of 1996, the Epping Board

of Adjustment initiated a change in the RSAs which define the terms of Alternates, sponsored by Representative Robert Dodge, which passed overwhelmingly and is now in effect.

Your Zoning Board of Adjustment earnestly asks every person considering an appeal to read Epping's Zoning Ordinance carefully beforehand, and to refrain from submitting any request which cannot be granted within these laws. By so doing they will save themselves time, expense and frustration. ■

—Your Zoning Board of Adjustment Officers for 1996 through 1997:

*Joseph Foley
Linda Harding
Judith Boisvert
Dorothy Hall
Daniel Harvey
Alternates: Doris Ann Allen
James Marquardt
Mary Lou Nowe*

Epping Police Department Officers in Washington, DC for Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Week.
L-R: Corporal Frank C. Dittmar, Officer Maureen Dittmar, Officer Dawn Watkins, Officer Sean Gallagher
Photo Courtesy of Epping Police Department





SCHOOL

DISTRICT
INFORMATION

"Trees and Rocks in My Backyard" by Brandy West, Junior, Epping Middle/High School

School District Information

School District Officers 1996-97

Tom Carleton	Term Expires 1997
Diane Byrne	Term Expires 1998
Herbert Hughes	Term Expires 1998
Ron Altman, Chairman	Term Expires 1999
Jennifer Yergeau	Term Expires 1999

Superintendent of Schools

Robert F. Bell

Business Administrator

Barbara Munsey

Special Education Director

Leslie Derbyshire

Administrators

Dagmar Franke, Principal	Grades 1-5
Dr. Victor Petzy, Principal	Grades 6-12
Julie Heon, Assistant Principal	Grades 6-12

Treasurer

Amy Holmes Oliver

Moderator

Harold K. LaPierre, Jr.

Clerk

Amy Bolton

Superintendent's Report

Once again the Epping School system has made progress in many areas of their curriculum. I have analyzed the New Hampshire Educational Assessment Program for Epping third grade students and there has been overall improvement and growth over a three year period. This year's third grade scores were very encouraging. In the area of Language Arts we were at or above grade level in comprehending literary passages, practical passages and understanding content. Our math scores were very good. I had an item analysis done on the math test and found that we were at or above state averages in most of the test items. I would like to commend Mrs. Franke and a her staff of dedicated teachers for their hard work and effort in improving our test scores.

I met with the school board during the summer and established our goals for 1996-97. We continue to work on full accreditation for our middle/high school by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.

We have also worked with the recreation commission to develop an adult education program. Courses were held this fall and there will be additional courses held in the spring.

One of the board's goals was to implement a committee to develop a long range plan and alternatives to a growing space problem. The committee has met once a month and looked at the current state of our buildings. During the first half of this year our enrollment increased by 26 students, 22 new students at the elementary school and 4 new students at the middle/high school. Our buildings are now full and there are no extra classrooms that can be used for increased enrollments. If the town continues to grow we will have to consider various alternatives to our growing space problem. The committee looked at Watson Academy and the Central School to see if it was possible to use these buildings if we became overcrowded. This committee will continue to meet and study the long range enrollment issues.

Due to the increase in special education costs, the school board has had to make difficult decisions during the budgeting process. Staff, equipment and supplies were all reduced. Our goal this year is to maintain our present programs and staff. Most repairs and upgrades to the quality of our buildings and grounds have been put on hold for another year. The board approved one regular education teacher to reduce the pupil/teacher ratio in the 4th grades and 5th grades next year, and a high school language arts teacher was increased from 50% to 60%. Due to a large increase in special education costs a great deal of equipment and personnel were not approved. We certainly intend to continue to supply a sound educational foundation that will help our students master academic skills and provide a wide range of co-curricular experiences. ■

—Robert F. Bell
Superintendent of Schools

Elementary School Principal's Report

The student population of the Epping Elementary School has increased again to a total of 415 students at the end of September.

We welcomed Ms. Kerstin Wright to our fourth grade team and Ms. Marcia Clarke to our first grade team. Mr. Jamie Hayes is filling in for Mr. Robert Schmidt who is on a leave of absence for one year, and we said good-bye to Mrs. Gail Bodge who retired this past year. Mrs. Renee Wilkinson joined our Special Education Team as a one-to-one aide in the first grade.

A special thanks goes to our Parent Teacher Organization which continues to provide invaluable support to the Epping Elementary School. We are all very excited about our new playground and would again like to thank all those parents who helped in that very special endeavor. The boys and girls of Epping will be able to enjoy the playground for many years to come. The P.T.O. has also continued to support the school through wonderful author presentations and special assembly programs to name just a couple of things.

We are very fortunate to have two special enrichment programs continue again this year in the form of after school French and Art classes. In addition, the French class has expanded to include a class for grades 1 and 2 and a class for grades 3, 4, and 5.

Our regular extra curricular activities continue to be very popular with our students. We have continued activities such as "I Love To Read Month" and "Native American and Pilgrim Month". In addition Ms. Sheila Cleary and Ms. Rachel Kemp are again working with the Elementary School Student Council on a regular basis.

Everyone at the Epping Elementary School would like to extend a note of

appreciation to all the people who have been volunteering at our school. The assistance of all of our volunteers continues to be vital to our success.

The staff and administration of the Epping Elementary School continues to work closely with parents and

remains dedicated to providing an excellent educational program for all students. ■

—Dagnar Franke
Epping Elementary School Principal

TOP: Epping Elementary School Student Council elections. Ms. Clery/Guidance Counselor, Tabatha Arsenaault, Logan Hughes, Melissa Danis, Jackie Kendall, Robyn Downing, Luke Kyle, Delaine Bennett, Sultan Shirazi, Anna Lee, Mariella Hill, Rachel Kemp/Speech Language Therapist.

BOTTOM: Epping Elementary Play "Once Upon a Summer", November, 1996
Photos Courtesy of Epping Elementary School



School District Information

Middle-High School Principal's Report

At the start of the 96-97 school year, Epping Middle High School's student population was 484 (248/high school, 236/middle school), with 58 students graduating in '96. More than 60% of which went on to post secondary study, receiving over \$18,000 in scholarship money derived from 25 local sources. As in past years, Epping students demonstrated a high level of achievement. Our Chess Team won yet another state championship, its fifth in six years.



Our school was the recipient of the NHIAA Class M Sportsmanship Award, a tribute to the attitudes of our athletes and our community's positive approach to sports competition. We issued a record 31 academic letters and inducted 29 students into the National and Junior National Honor Societies. Art and Music continued to flourish. We hosted our second Southeast Regional Arts Festival. Our students set up sculpture and print exhibitions at the Post Office and the Fleet Bank. Our chorus grew to over 20 students and our bands had excellent jazz and concert performances at the Middle-High School and at several statewide locations, including the UNH Jazz Festival. Once again, we had students selected for Music All State and all league athletic teams.

Several students were winners in Foster Daily News Writing contests. Our middle school annual fund raiser was a great success and for the fifth year in a row our students were the top fund raisers for the Big Brothers/Big Sisters Organization Annual Bowl-a-thon.

LEFT: Cheerleaders.
BELOW: Epping High School Student Council Meeting. *Photos Courtesy of Epping High School*



New members of our faculty include: Loretta Grace, Family & Consumer Science; Kelly Gray, 6th Grade Language Arts; Jennifer Hagan, H.S. Science; Stacey Kyriazis, M.S. Special Education; Christine Luongo, 7th Grade Language Arts; Frank McGoldrick, H.S. English; Marlene Michaud, M.S. STARS Program; Jean Partin, 7th Grade Social Studies; Gayle Santa, H.S. Special Education; and Beth Weaver, Industrial Technology. Anita Greenwood, a 1975 Epping graduate, joined us as a secretary.

Program expansions continued with two new electives being offered—Advanced Art and a Shakespeare class. Middle school volleyball was added to our athletic program. We continue to refine our middle school team concept and parent communication has been enhanced by the efforts our staff made to track student progress. Two-thirds of our faculty engaged in special staff development activities, including Antioch's Education by Design program. Work is underway this year to examine closely our students state assessment scores (our sixth and tenth graders took the tests for the first time in May '96). Based on this analysis we plan to make changes in curriculum and instruction that will better prepare our students for these tests.

We are very grateful for the ongoing support of the Epping community. Adequate funding for the 97-98 school year will allow us to maintain our technology base, to enhance the quality of our programs and to make facility improvements necessary to retain our accreditation status. ■

—Victor J. Petzy, Jr., Ph.D.
Principal

School Board Goals for 1996-97

- To implement an adult education program for the 1996-97 school year. This program will have initial offerings in the fall and an expanded program in the spring.
- Continue to actively research the economic way to educate our special education students. In this process, we will compare all costs and educational factors in order to make informed decisions.
- To do consistent, timely evaluations of our administrators in an effort to communicate in a truthful, honest, courteous, responsive and respectful manner. This, we believe, will allow them to do what is required in the most effective and humane way possible.
- Develop policy and procedures for at-risk middle school students to meet certain criteria that will enable them to be promoted.
- To implement a committee to develop a long range plan and alternatives to a growing space problem. The committee should include administrators, teachers, school board members and community members.
- To develop a policy defining the purchasing system and the expenditure of funds over \$500.00. ■

Opening Day Enrollment

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Grade 1	64	86	78	72	78
Grade 2	81	58	76	76	66
Grade 3	84	74	58	76	81
Grade 4	84	81	77	59	78
Grade 5	73	79	82	72	57
Grade 6	86	73	79	83	77
Grade 7	66	80	68	74	79
Grade 8	71	64	84	67	76
Grade 9	75	73	68	85	72
Grade 10	69	76	65	63	76
Grade 11	51	67	71	60	51
Grade 12	39	47	62	62	52
Totals	843	858	868	849	849

Statistical Data, 1995-1996

Average Daily Membership

Elementary	357.8
Middle School	223.4
Sr. High	246.6

Average Daily Absence

Elementary	14.4
Middle School	9.2
Sr. High	11.4

Attendance

Elementary	96%
Middle School	96%
Sr. High	95%

Minutes of the School District Meeting March 14, 1996

The School District Meeting was held at the Howard Allen Gymnasium at Epping Middle-High School on March 7, 1995 and was called to order at 7:02 p.m., by Moderator Harold LaPierre.

Moderator LaPierre entertained a motion to recess the meeting until March 14, 1996 at 7:00 p.m. Jennifer Yergeau made a motion to recess until March 14, 1996. Member Altman seconded. A hand vote was taken. Unanimous.

The School District Meeting was re-opened on March 14, 1996 at 7:11 p.m. by Moderator Harold LaPierre.

School Board members present were: Ron Altman-Chairman, Diane Byrne, Tom Carleton, Herbert Hughes, Jennifer Yergeau, Superintendent Robert Bell and Business Manager Barbara Munsey. The Budget Committee was present at the meeting.

Moderator LaPierre read the rules

and procedures of the meeting. A motion was made to accept the rules and procedures as read. The motion was seconded. The motion passes.

At this time Representative Bob Dodge requested that the School Board make their next budget available to the public 10 days in advance before the District meeting, as stated they must do so under NH law.

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School District Information

Moderator LaPierre then read the ten school warrant articles.

The Moderator Read Article 1

To hear reports of agents, auditors, and committees or officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

Chairperson Altman spoke briefly in regards to the current budget and next years budget, the schools lists of accomplishments for 1995 Epping Middle/High School and the Elementary School. At this time Diane Gilbert asked a question regarding the MS 25 for the 1995-96 Budget referring to a transfer of funds. Discussion followed. A motion was made to accept the article as read. The motion was seconded. The article was passed with a hand vote.

The Moderator Read Article 2

To See if the School District will vote to establish a Two Year Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 with the purpose of purchasing and installing an elevator at a total cost of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for the Epping Middle/High School in order to meet the New England Association of Schools and Colleges accreditation standards, and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in this fund for the 1996-97 school year.

(Recommended by the Epping School Board and Budget Committee)

Member Yergeau spoke on behalf of this Article.

A motion was made to accept the article as read. The motion was seconded. The article was voted and passed with a hand vote.

Moderator Read Article 3

To See if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to pave an extension for parking and a playground area for the Epping Elementary School.

(Recommended by the Epping School Board and Budget Committee)

Member Hughes spoke on behalf of this Article.

A motion was made to accept the article as read. The motion was seconded. The article was vote and passed with hand vote.

Moderator Read Article 4

To see if the School District will vote to establish and expendable general trust fund under the provisions of RSA 198:20-c, to be know as the school buildings and grounds maintenance fund, for the purpose of preparing for major or catastrophic repairs and maintenance to the school buildings and grounds. Furthermore, to name the school board as agents to expend this fund in the event of such a need and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) towards this purpose. The intent of this general trust fund is to accumulate a fund of \$100,000 over a period of five (5) years.

(Recommended by the Epping School Board) (Not Recommended by the Epping Budget Committee)

Member Yergeau spoke on behalf of this Article. Discussion followed. A motion was made to table the article. The motion was seconded. The motion fails by a hand held vote. A motion was made to move the question. The motion was seconded. The article fails by a hand held vote, which had to be counted, yes-59/no-64.

The Moderator Read Article 5

By Petition: Joyce Murphy, Robin O'Day, Donna Gorski, plus 28 others.

To see if the School district will raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for the purchase, preparation and installation of an extension to the existing Elementary School playground, to be partially offset by a gift

of \$10,000 to be give to the School District by the Epping Elementary P.T.O., the remainder to be raised by taxations.

(Recommended by the Epping School Board and Budget Committee)

Member Hughes spoke on behalf of this Article. Joyce Blanchard, from the P.T.O. also spoke regarding the details for the new playground. Discussion followed.

A motion was made to accept the article as read. The motion was seconded. The article passes with a hand held vote.

The Moderator Read Article 6

By Petition: Paul Spidle, Dianne Gilbert, Dale Collings plus 45 others.

Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 to allow OFFICIAL BALLOT voting on all issues before the Epping School District?

(Warrant article would implement SB2, Senate Bill 2, Chapter 164.)

(Not recommended by the Epping School Board)

This article was voted on at the polls and failed.

The Moderate Read Article 7

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) for the installation of a sprinkler system and any other fire safety codes, for the old Epping Elementary School. Under the recommendations of New Hampshire Department of Safety, Office of the State Fire Marshall.

(Recommended by the Epping School Board and Budget Committee)

Member Byrne spoke on behalf of this article. Discussion followed.

A motion was made to accept the article as read. The motion was seconded.

School District Information

The Moderator Read Article 8

To see if the School District, pursuant to RSA 195:18 will vote to create a Cooperative School District Planning Committee consisting of three qualified voters of whom at least one shall be a member of the School Board; and to see if the District will vote to authorize the School District Moderator to appoint the members of the committee.

(Recommended by the Epping School Board)

Chairperson Altman spoke on behalf of this article. A motion was made to accept the article as read. The motion was seconded. The Article passes with a hand held vote.

The Moderator Read Article 9

To see what sum of money the District will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District.

1100	Regular Programs	2,248,466
1200	Special Programs	909,767
1300	Vocational Programs	37,950
1400	Other Instructional Programs	80,988
2120	Guidance	125,917
2130	Health.....	28,72
2150	Speech	83,866
2210	Improvement of Instruction	40,391
2220	Educational Media	165,956
2310	School Board	40,263
2320	SAU Expense	182,106
2400	School Administration	321,592
2540	Operation of Plant	309,732
2550	Pupil Transportation	214,578
2900	Other Support Service	97,512
4000	Facilities Acquisition	17,000
5000	Debt Service.....	88,293
2560	Food Service.....	198,083
Total Appropriation.....		5,191,184

(Recommended by the Epping School Board and Budget Committee)

Member Carleton spoke on behalf of this article. Discussion followed with comments from the following voters, Paul Spidle, Charlie Peirce, Dianne Gilbert, Don Sisson. Member Carleton stated the new amount for the appropriation would now be \$5,286,184, due to the above articles that were voted on.

A motion to move the question was made. The motion was seconded. The

Article passes with a hand held vote.

The Moderator Read Article 10

To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded. It was voted by a hand vote to adjourn the meeting at 8:57p.m. ■

—Amy E. Bolton
School District Clerk

TOP LEFT: Epping Elementary Art Class. Photo Courtesy of Epping Elementary School

TOP RIGHT: Students in Front Hall of the Middle High School. Photo Courtesy of Epping High School

BOTTOM: 8th Grade Mt. Major Trip. Photo Courtesy of Epping High School



School District Information

Epping Elementary P.T.O. Report

The Elementary P.T.O. is proud to be submitting their first annual report. As many of you know, the P.T.O. spent most of the 1995/1996 school year fund-raising funds for a new playground addition. That dream finally became a reality in August 1996 through the hard work of parents, students and the taxpayers of Epping.

The P.T.O. is a very dedicated group of parents whose efforts are directed towards the children of the Elementary school. Some of the programs that are sponsored by the P.T.O. are Guest Authors, Field trip buses, Native American Assemblies, Teachers Wish List, Dances, Ice Cream Socials and many other projects that come to our

attention during the school year. Our main focus for the 1996/1997 school year will be to install a much needed new sound system. Some of our future goals are enhancing the Science curriculum, expanding the Elementary Technology, more extra curricular programs for the students and more student enrichment programs. We are pleased to say that funding and volunteer participation from parents has greatly increased over the past few years and we hope it continues. Thank you for giving us this time to inform you about our organization and to let us serve the children of Epping. It is a privilege to be part of a great school and community. ■

—Epping Elementary P.T.O.

New playground construction crews, August 24, 1996. Photos Courtesy of Epping Elementary P.T.O.



Vital Statistics

Births

DATE	NAME OF FATHER MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER	NAME OF CHILD	PLACE OF BIRTH
1/9/96	David George Ouellette Karen Julia Burbank	Eric Charles Ouellette	Exeter
1/19/96	Mark Robert Sullivan Carol Ann Hawley	Kristy Lee Sullivan	Exeter
1/29/96	Hannah Elizabeth Keane Ida Louise Lessard	Thomas Patrick Keane	Manchester
2/9/96	James Allen Woodmansee Betty Jean Woodmansee	Sanford Allen Woodmansee	Derry
2/14/96	Brendan Tyler Keach Carol Louise Cross	Kevin John Keach	Exeter
2/14/96	Meredith Lynn Beals Kathy Jean Butterwick	Andrew Mark Beals	Exeter
2/26/96	Olivia Rose Ferguson Elizabeth Rose Anderson	Michael Paul Ferguson	Exeter
4/30/96	Rachel Lee Trayer Lori Lee Glassbrook	Phillip Matthew Trayer	Exeter
5/5/96	Erin Kelleher Colford Mary Ellen Rose	Michael Francis Colford	Exeter
5/8/96	Jesse Michael Costly Linda Mary Masters	Christopher Michael Costly	Exeter
5/14/96	Meghan Ashley Crocker Rita Bessy May Clark	Bruce Edward Crocker	Exeter
5/15/96	Jessica Beth Fischer Caron Ann Bixby	Gary Paul Fischer	Exeter
5/16/96	Henry Charles Griffin Ellen Ryder	Daniel Patrick Griffin	Concord
6/3/96	Marina Claire McCartney Brenda Jo Beasley	Patrick H McCartney Jr.	Manchester
6/7/96	Danielle Melissa Simoneau Dorothy Ann Stone	James Francis Simoneau	Exeter
6/11/96	Joseph Daniel LeClerc Jennifer Elizabeth Gallant	Mark Anthony LeClerc	Portsmouth
6/12/96	William Andrew Lalancette Linda Susan Mrozek	Stephen Paul Lalancette	Concord
6/20/96	Dakota William Terry Kimberly Francis Nichols	William Darrell Terry	Exeter
6/23/96	Ryan Dawson Bentz Laurie Aurora Post	Eric Anthony Bentz	Manchester
6/24/96	Kelly Christine Seaman Karen Jeanne McLaughlin	Thomas Gerald Seaman	Derry

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Vital Statistics

DATE	NAME OF FATHER MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER	NAME OF CHILD	PLACE OF BIRTH
Births Cont.			
6/29/96	Tayla Lindsay Arsenault Susan Marie Roy	Marc Edward Arsenault	Exeter
7/3/96	Keith Edward Hill Kathleen Ann Hackbush	Mark Edward Hill	Dover
7/9/96	Brandon Thomas Ventura Stephanie Lynn Smith	Daniel Ventura	Exeter
8/3/96	Margaret Dorothy Weaver Penny Ann Pease	Thomas William Weaver	Dover
8/6/96	Jacob Daniel Horton Melanie Ann Odrino	Kevin Richard Horton	Exeter
8/9/96	Katie Marie Pettis Renee Marie Grenier	Steven Daniel Pettis	Concord
8/14/96	Lauren Ann Goulet Carol Ann Madry	Fernand Goulet	Exeter
8/15/96	Minette Francis Cantrall Rose Alice Julien	Richard E Cantrall	Portsmouth
8/30/96	Matthew Edward Cimmino Shelly Ruth Broughton	Steven Raymond Cimmino	Exeter
9/19/96	Ashlynn Marie Bain Paula Marie Wood	Warren Andrew Bain	Exeter
9/24/96	James Alexander Sigmund Jill Eileen Stoddard	John Stuart Sigmund	Portsmouth
10/3/96	Marshall Daniel Smith Kristen Virginia Schontag	Kevin Marshall Smith	Exeter
10/6/96	Spencer Hughin Holt Dawnalee Prior	Richard Hughin Holt	Manchester
10/9/96	Daniel Robert Daher Cathrine Mary Galley	Robert Elias Daher Jr.	Portsmouth
10/13/96	Megan Hope Wilson Jennifer Lee Knudsen	Philip Smith Wilson	Manchester
10/14/96	Morgan Elizabeth Pease Jeanne Elizabeth Curtis	Edward Chester Pease	Exeter
10/25/96	Drew Mackenzie Hartnett Christie Ann Datillo	Dean Karl Hartnett	Exeter
10/27/96	Alexander Maxwell Hackett Camille Nicole Arthur	Michael Harding Hackett	Exeter
11/5/96	Jennifer Morgan Jarosz Susan Mary Hayen	Brian Keith Jarosz	Exeter
11/6/96	Ian Jeffrey Leavitt Tammy Jane Benjamin	Jeffery Ethan Leavitt	Exeter
11/10/96	Charles Meader Hardy Kathryn Swain Williams	Brant Reed Hardy	Portsmouth
11/15/96	John Paul DiFrancesco Linda Ann Szewczyk	John Michael DiFrancesco	Nashua

Vital Statistics

DATE	NAME OF FATHER MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER	NAME OF CHILD	PLACE OF BIRTH
11/18/96	Caroline Barbara Ritter Zoe Margaret Vankirk	Damon Lee Ritter	Exeter
11/21/96	Cassidy Rose Litch Cynthia Ann Dziuban	Robert Edward Litch	Manchester
11/21/96	Caterina Alexandra Bernardy LisaMarie Catherine Barbour	J. David Bernardy	Manchester
11/27/96	Noah Lee Bealand Beth Anne Powers	Christopher Lee Bealand	Manchester
11/30/96	Joseph Paul Mutter Deborah Ruth Cusolito	Jeffrey Francis Mutter	Portsmouth
12/4/96	Cassandra Jo Allison Laura Lynn Chapman	David Bernard Allison	Manchester
12/29/96	Maisa Nida Shirazi Shehnaz Manji Shirazi	Mirza Mehdi Shirazi	Exeter
12/30/96	Christopher William Langdon Lisa Anne Langdon	William Scott Langdon	Exeter

Marriages

DATE OF MARRIAGE	NAME OF BRIDE AND GROOM	RESIDENCE OF EACH
1/1/96	Melton W. Fraser Judith E. Williams	Epping Epping
1/6/96	Joseph M. Woods Terri L. Drapeau	Epping Epping
2/10/96	Warren W. Schleich Anna I. Poulin	Epping Epping
2/10/96	Christopher L. Bealand Beth A. Paris	Epping Dunbarton
2/14/96	Robert H. Linehan Sylvia J. Rushford	Epping Epping
3/17/96	Roland L. Couture Bonita J. Grenier	Epping Epping
3/23/96	Daniel F. Pelletier Donna Lynn Beasley	Goffstown Epping
3/30/96	Robert E. Daher Jr. Catherine M. Bateman	Epping Epping
4/19/96	William M. Gillen Suzanne E. Colstad	New Milford Epping
4/27/96	Robert F. Williams Jr. Suzanne L. Williams	Epping Epping
5/18/96	John M. Raifsnider Jr. Kimberly A. Castle	Dover Epping

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DATE OF MARRIAGE	NAME OF BRIDE AND GROOM	RESIDENCE OF EACH
Marriages Cont.		
5/24/96	Eric W. Stone Harla A. King	Epping Epping
5/30/96	Richard L. Newman Jr. Cammy K. Artus	Epping Hampton
6/1/96	Steven B. Lamb Cheryl L. Babylon	Epping Epping
6/21/96	Tim D. Villeneuve Margaret E. Haines	Epping Epping
6/22/96	Gary P. Arnold Dianne L. Edwards	Epping Epping
6/22/96	Michael H. Byrne Heidi D. Dionne	Epping Epping
6/29/96	Gouson Ung Saravong Somthalack C. Nokham	Epping Epping
7/13/96	Jerry A. Fenstermaker Tia L. Hartwell	Epping Newmarket
7/20/96	Robert W. Slater Michelle L. Frontierro	Epping Raymond
8/4/96	Chas A. Merrill Sharon R. Greenwood	Epping Raymond
8/9/96	William S. Langdon Lisa A. Floerke	Epping Epping
8/17/96	Carl S. Aspinwall Lynda J. Manganello	Epping Hudson
8/17/96	Robert M. Hibbard Laura Lee	Epping Epping
8/17/96	Jason L. Brown Tammie S. Bunnell	Epping Raymond
9/16/96	Daniel R. Shlakis Mary E. Auclair	Epping Epping
10/5/96	James W. Brindle Diane E. Castle	Epping Concord
10/11/96	Kevin F. Pelletier Vanessa E. Nash	Epping Epping
10/12/96	Keith A. Browne Leslie A. Ernest	Raymond Epping
11/29/96	Donald Phillips Milagros Y. Red Feather	Epping Epping
12/14/96	Darryl B. Macleod Susan G. Beauregard	Epping Epping

DATE OF MARRIAGE	NAME OF BRIDE AND GROOM	RESIDENCE OF EACH
12/14/96	Job A. Bikombe Gladys Perez	Epping Manchester
12/20/96	Juan J. Martinez Angela K. Wilson	Haverhill, MA Epping
12/24/96	Roger S. Beal Tracey L. Piotrowicz	Epping Epping
12/24/96	William R. McKinley Joan C. Dean	Raymond Epping
12/25/96	Leonard L. Lavoie Juliette A. Peralta	Epping Epping

Deaths

DATE OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH	NAME OF DECEASED	NAME OF FATHER	NAME OF MOTHER
3/2/96	Brentwood	Janet C. Thompson	Harry Cooley	Emily Smith
3/5/96	Exeter	Roland Rollins	Clifton Rollins	Addie B. Remeo
3/9/96	Brentwood	Victor E. Reed	Forrest Reed	Elizabeth Crooker
3/12/96	Manchester	John Pettiglio	Antonio Pettiglio	Lena Cuzzuo
3/13/96	Epping	Donna L. Sands	Philip Sands	Barbara Standbridge
3/21/96	Portsmouth	Mark Glidden	George Glidden	Clara Bean
4/5/96	Brentwood	James P. Butterfield	Harry Butterfield	Bertha Currier
4/15/96	Epping	Perley A. Twombly	Albert Twombly	Ellen Freeman
4/15/96	Exeter	Nolan James	Forrest C. James	Edna Stevens
4/25/96	Dover	Martha J. Campbell	Carroll Varney Sr.	Marion Norman
4/27/96	Exeter	Lenore F. Pike	Frank Pike	Alna Folsom
4/28/96	Exeter	Edith L. Porter	Cornelius Smart	Marguerite Ames
5/4/96	Exeter	Robert A. Destefano	Anthony Destefano	Beverly Casey
5/21/96	Exeter	Chavig Mallouf	George Morgan	Gennebib Freshia
5/22/96	Brentwood	Fred J. Morrison Jr	Fred Morrison Sr.	Carrie Spencer
5/28/96	Exeter	Rosario M. Cernyar	Justo Toca	Elisa Campo
6/5/96	Manchester	David G. MacAlpine	James MacAlpine	Catherine Gold
6/10/96	Manchester	Michael P. Paskell	Joseph Paskell	Anna Bidseka
6/29/96	Portsmouth	Matilda H. McCarthy	Joseph Kwiatkowski	Victoria Jendraszek
6/30/96	Meredith	Donald E. Hannigan	James Hannigan	Mary Brady
7/9/96	Epping	Thomas Cashman Sr.	Steven Cashman	Margaret Croak
7/9/96	Exeter	Sidney A. Fortier	Thomas A. Fortier	Evelyn Bishop

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DATE OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH	NAME OF DECEASED	NAME OF FATHER	NAME OF MOTHER
Deaths Cont.				
8/8/96	Exeter	Beatrice L. Levesque	Stanislaus Dionne	Mary Jacques
8/29/96	Exeter	Kenneth G. Lavigne	Walter Lavigne	Agnes Graney
8/30/96	Epping	Janet M. Gliddens	Mayhew Fisher	Ida Huntley
9/1/96	Exeter	George H. Kitchener	Arthur Kitchener	Jennie Stoebel
9/10/96	Epping	Marjorie M. Hall	Joseph Asbury	Minnie Rudd
9/26/96	Epping	Fredric Moody Jr.	Frederic Moody	Margaret Preston
10/18/96	Epping	Thomas J. Apostolos	William Apostolos	Mary Wojtyla
10/21/96	Brentwood	Lorraine A. Beasley	Napoleon Delisle	Mary Berry
11/8/96	Epping	Edgar E. Graham	Edgar Graham	Ethel Tibbitts
11/12/96	Epping	Donald W. Martin	Clarence Martin	Dorothy Kinny
11/19/96	Exeter	Mary E. Shlakis	Timothy Cronin	Elaine O'Brien
11/24/96	Exeter	Dorothy E. Pagurko	John Maclean	Eleanor Pine
12/1/96	Epping	William Fowler Jr.	William Fowler Sr.	Evelyn Clark
12/14/96	Epping	Alma Arnold	Clarence Davidson	Jeriusa Hallett
12/16/96	Brentwood	Valeda Carpenter	Benjamin Boule	Roselia Arpin
12/18/96	Exeter	O. Curtis Taylor	Ormond C. Taylor Sr.	Elizabeth Carnes
12/26/96	Epping	James A. Hayes Jr.	James A. Hayes Sr.	Billie Dennison

A new sign. *Photo Courtesy of Epping Elementary School*



Tournament Bound Baseball Team. *Photo Courtesy of Epping High School*



Epping Area Telephone Directory

Emergency Numbers—Fire/Police/Rescue

Emergency	9-1-1
Emergency Police	679-5122
Emergency Fire	679-5351

General Business

Fire	679-5446
Police	679-5834 or 679-3300
Animal Control	679-5122

Town Offices

Town Clerk/Tax Collector	679-8288
(voter & car registrations, dog licenses, taxes, water/sewer payments)	
Public Works	679-5171
Recycling Center	679-4675
Planning, Zoning, and Code Enforcement	679-1202
Health and Welfare	679-1231
Tax Assessing	679-5441
(property tax exemptions, abatements, assessment information)	
Town Administrator	679-5441
Library	679-5944

Schools

Superintendent's Office	679-8003
High School	679-5472
Elementary	679-8018

Recreation	679-1341
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Governor of New Hampshire

The Honorable Jean Shaheen 208-214 State House, Concord, NH 03301	271-2121
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U.S. Senators

Senator Robert Smith	433-1667
Senator Judd Gregg	431-2171

U.S. Representative

Congressman John Sununu	647-6600
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Executive Councillor

Ruth Griffin	271-3632
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Epping's State Senator

Jack Barnes	271-3661
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Epping's State Representatives

Robert K. Dodge	679-5027
Ron Nowe	679-5977

Other Commonly Used Numbers

State Department of Motor Vehicles ..	679-2111
Epping Post Office	679-5952
Rockingham County Sheriff	679-2225
Exeter Chamber of Commerce	772-2411
Raymond Chamber of Commerce	895-0101
(David Howard)	
Rockingham Regional Planning Commission	778-0885

Area Statistics Epping

County Rockingham

Labor Market Area.....Portsmouth/Rochester

Distance to:.....Manchester, NH.....15 mi.
 Boston, MA.....50 mi.
 New York, NY 235 mi.
 Montreal, Canada.....280 mi.

Elevation: 160 feet

Temperature (°F):.....Annual Average 46.6°
 January Average 22.2°
 July Average 69.8°

Precipitation: Annual Average 44.0 in

Municipal Services

Town Hall Hours: M-Th 8-4;
 F 8-12 noon
 Type of Government: Selectmen/Town
 Meeting
 Planning board: Elected
 Industrial Plans Reviewed by: Planning board
 Zoning:.....Yes
 Master Plan: Yes
 Capitol Improvement Plan:.....Yes
 Full Time Police Department: Yes
 Full-Time Fire Department: Yes
 Town Fire Insurance Rating:.....7/9

Housing (1990)

Single Family Units:.....1,252
 No. of Building Permits: 18
 Multi Family Units: 407
 No. of Building Permits: 0
 Mobile Homes:.....400
 Median Gross Rent:\$477
 Median Housing Costs:\$123,300

Demographics/Population:

	1994	1990	1980	1970
Community	5,439	5,162	3,460	2,356
County	251,821	245,845	190,345	138,951

Population by age (1990)

5 and under.....556
 6 to 17.....879
 18 to 29.....874
 30 to 59.....2,196
 60 to 69.....359
 70 and over.....298

Income (1990)

Per Capita Income:\$14,208
 Median Household Income:\$40,122
 Average Weekly Wage:\$281

Labor Force (1990)

Total Number of Employers:.....91
 Total Workers Employed: 2,647
 Male Labor Participation Rate: 82.2%
 Female Labor Participation Rate: 64.4%
 Labor force Education Level:
 High School and Higher Graduates 77.8%
 Bachelor's Degree and Higher 15.4%

Employment by Occupation Group (1990)

Executive/Administration/Managerial: 301
 Professional Specialty: 287
 Technical/Related Support: 150
 Sales Workers: 303
 Administrative Support/Clerical: 347
 Private Household: 13
 Protective Service: 27
 Services, Other: 323
 Farming/Forestry/Fishing: 48
 Precision Production/Craft/Repair: 414
 Machine Operators/Assemblers: 218
 Transportation/Material Moving: 116
 Handlers/Helpers/Laborers: 100

Commuting Patterns (1990)

Mean Travel Time to Work: 28.98 minutes
 Residents Working in community: 20.0%
 Residents Commuting Elsewhere: 80.0%
 Non-residents Commuting In: 52.3%



HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

No matter how big or small
your business may be, join the

Epping Business Directory

The Town of Epping is establishing a business directory. We invite *all businesses* to fill out the listing/registration form at the bottom of this page and return it to the Selectmen's Office at the Town Hall.

The Epping Business Directory:

- ...will be used by the Staff at the Town Hall when people are inquiring about a particular type of business or service they need – **not for regulatory issues.**
- ...will be used to send mailings informing business people in the community when a meeting is to be held that may benefit their business.
- ...is a perfect avenue for the Town and its businesses to work together better and compliment each other!

YES! *Please register and list my business...*

COMPANY: _____

NAME OF PERSON TO CONTACT: _____

COMPANY ADDRESS: _____

BUSINESS PHONE: _____

FAX NUMBER: _____

E-MAIL: _____

TYPE OF BUSINESS: _____

HOURS OF OPERATION: _____



Notes



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157 Main Street
Epping, NH 03042

Bulk Rate
U.S. Postage
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